

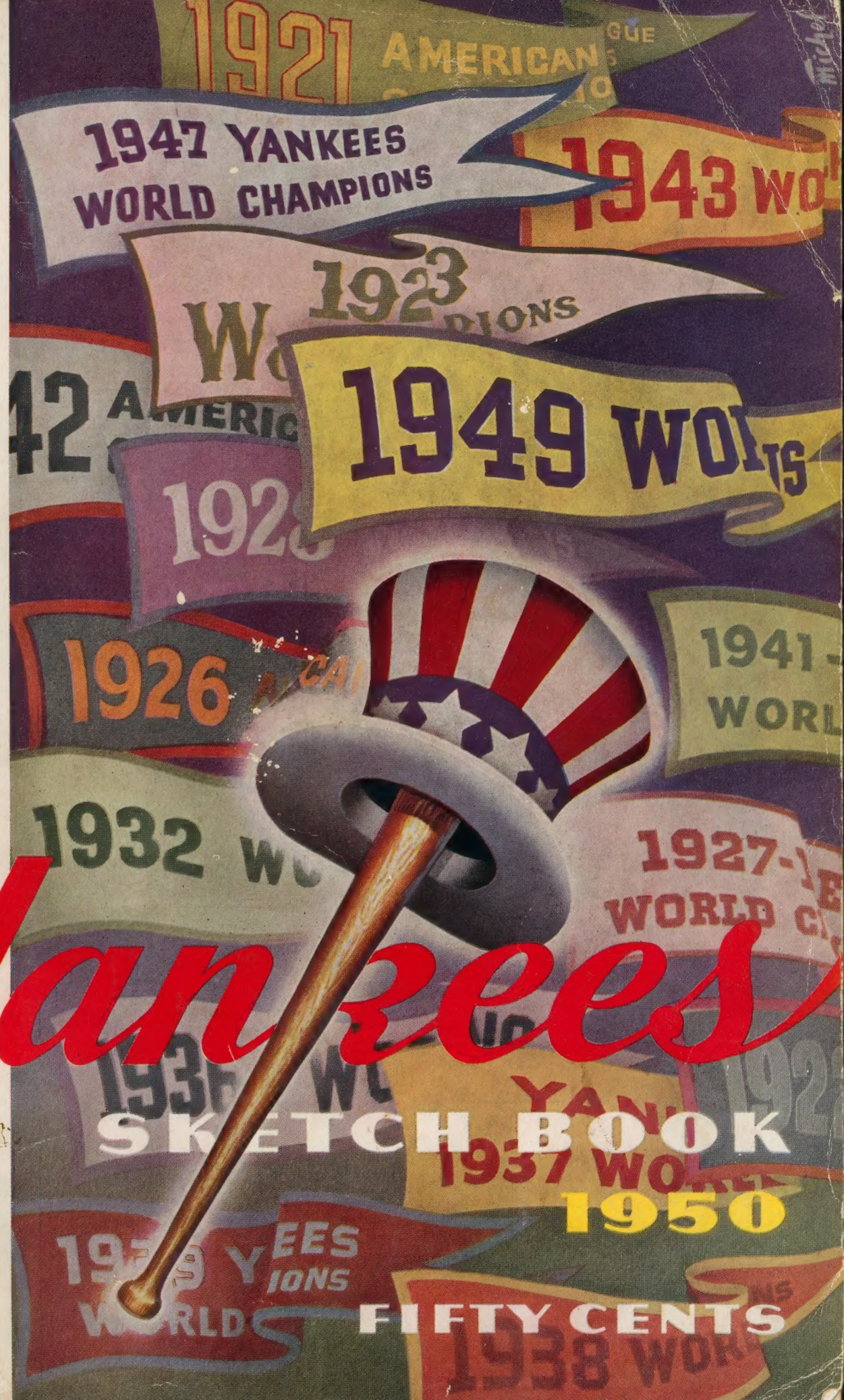


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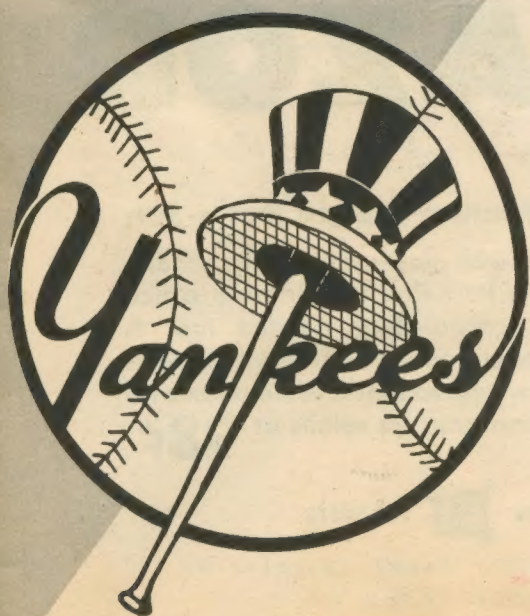
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# Introduction



THE Yankees have much of which to be proud. If, in the ensuing pages, we seem at times a bit boastful, please realize we are bringing to you incidents from the present and past of baseball's most successful and most glamorous club. There were times in the early years of American League history when the Yankees were not found in the glare of the spotlight when World Series time came around. In 1921 they found the winning formula. Since that date they have been in sixteen October Classics, have won twelve of them. And only once have they finished out of the first division. We hope this first Yankee Sketch Book will keep fresh your memories of their triumphs—old and new.

The Editor.



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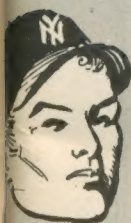


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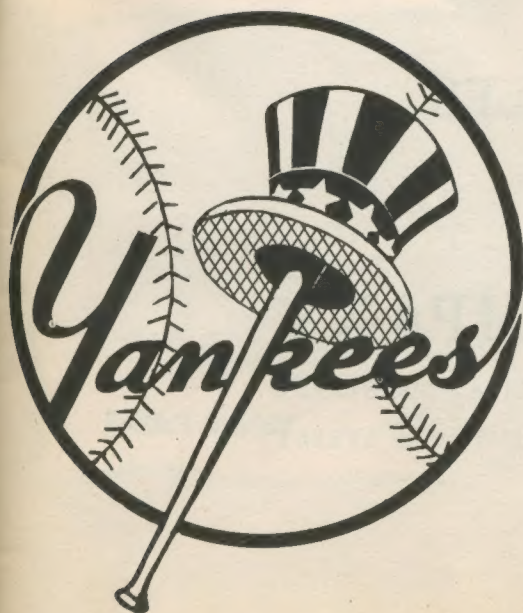
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**Dan Topping**



Dan Topping finds relaxation hauling in a 750-pound tuna. He enjoys the tension of a red-hot golf tournament. His love for football stems from the games he played as a rugged lineman. But, as an admitted .280 hitter on the ball field, he gets his biggest thrill out of running the New York Yankees. And, as President of that club, he certainly has accomplished a higher batting average in the front office than he did trying to solve enemy curves and knucklers.

Topping has never forgotten that when he and Del E. Webb landed the Yankees, they inherited a great ball club and a winning tradition. His every effort has been put toward perpetuating both. There have been two World Championships thus far to reward them—and 10,000,000 Yankee fans have poured into the Stadium to roar their approval over a five-year span.

It is the hope of both owners of the Yankees that the club and the operational methods of the organization will continue to warrant such loyal support.





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**Del E. Webb**



Del E. Webb, co-owner and Vice-President, was a promising pitcher until a sore arm stopped him at Salt Lake City in 1927. So he became a businessman, instead, and one of America's most traveled businessmen, too. Webb lives on an itinerary. But busy as he is from January to January, he has never failed to find time to make a Spring trip and a Western trip with the Yankees plus, of course, attendance at all the big days at Yankee Stadium.

**George M. Weiss**



George M. Weiss, Vice-President and General Manager, took over the job of running the Yankees shortly after the World Series of 1947, but his contribution before that was great. Weiss pioneered the Yankee farm system back in '32 and fed a steady stream of topnotch stars into Yankee Stadium. One of the foremost traders in the game and a canny judge of baseball talent, he has contributed much to the continued success of the Bronx Bombers.

**J. Arthur Friedlund**



J. Arthur Friedlund, Director, Secretary and General Counsel, also represents interests in sports promotions in Chicago, Detroit, Indianapolis, Omaha and St. Louis. He is, as well, counsel for several large corporations not affiliated with sports. And if, perhaps, you'd like to talk about farming, he'll come up with all the advice necessary on apple and cherry growing from first-hand experience with a 500-acre Wisconsin orchard.

**Robert Becker**



Robert Becker, Director and Treasurer, was born a half mile from Yankee Stadium but returned to same via Phoenix, Arizona, where he is Webb's right hand. Like Webb, he played baseball (semi-pro), turned to banking and later entered the construction business. His visits to the Stadium are, for him, too few, but his interest in the club is constant. Once, to assure better radio reception of a Yankee game, he hired a plane, climbed aloft and took his play-by-play by shortwave.

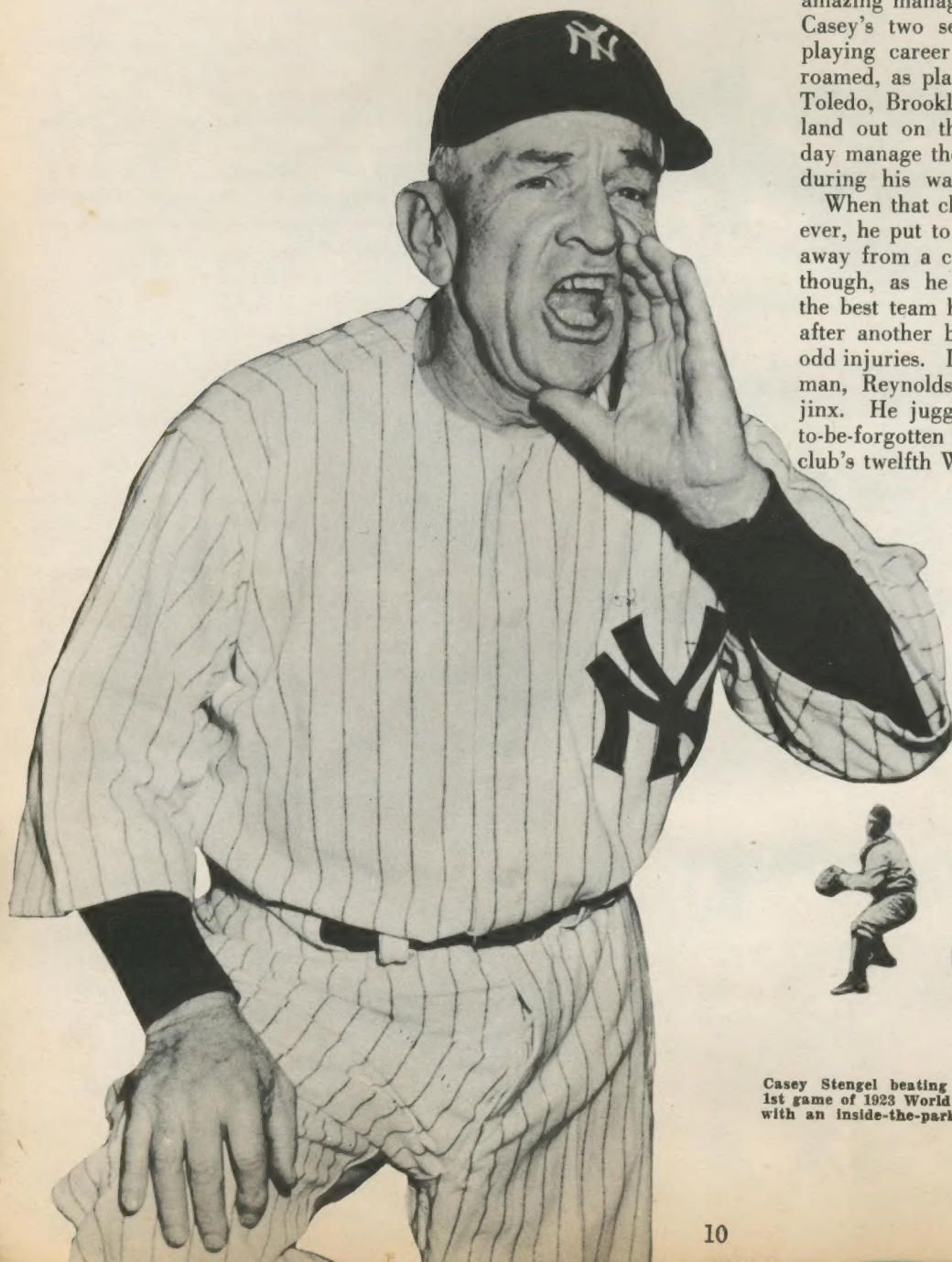


# MANAGER

More than a quarter century ago in the first World Series game ever played at Yankee Stadium, Casey Stengel was regarded by Yankee fans as the blackest of villains. He broke up two ball games, 5 to 4 and 1 to 0, with home runs which all but ruined the Yankees' bid for their first World Championship.

But Yankee fans have grown to love him even if it did take a quarter century and one of the most amazing managerial jobs in history to convince them. Casey's two series homers formed the peak of his playing career back in 1923. From the Giants he roamed, as player or manager, to Boston, Worcester, Toledo, Brooklyn, Milwaukee, Kansas City and Oakland out on the Pacific Coast. That he would one day manage the great Yankees was far from his mind during his wanderings.

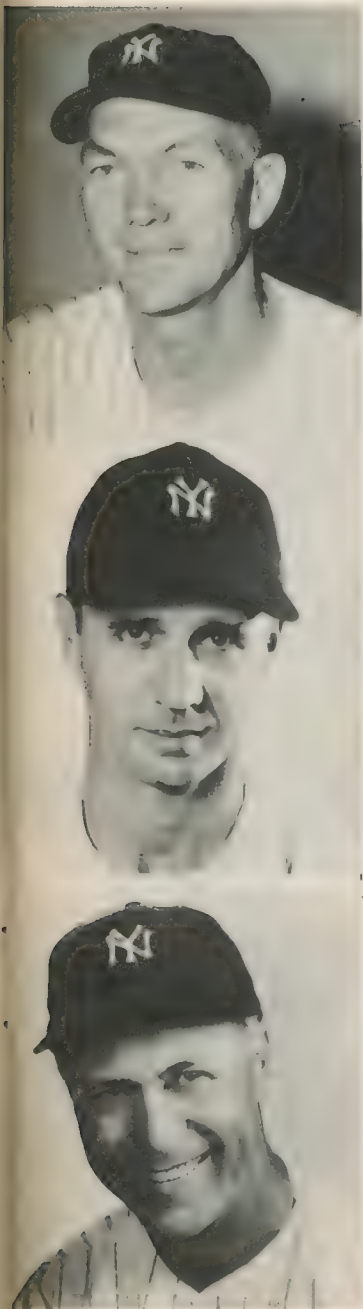
When that chance came to Stengel last season, however, he put to work all the knowledge he had stored away from a career of more than three decades. Although, as he proudly admitted, the Yankees were the best team he ever managed, Stengel saw one star after another benched by a record string of seventy-odd injuries. DiMaggio, Henrich, Berra, Brown, Coleman, Reynolds, Raschi all were hit by the injury jinx. He juggled his line-up daily and, in a never-to-be-forgotten finish, piloted his hobbled heroes to the club's twelfth World Championship.



Casey Stengel beating Yankees in 1st game of 1923 World Series (5-4) with an inside-the-park home run.



## STRATEGY DEPT.



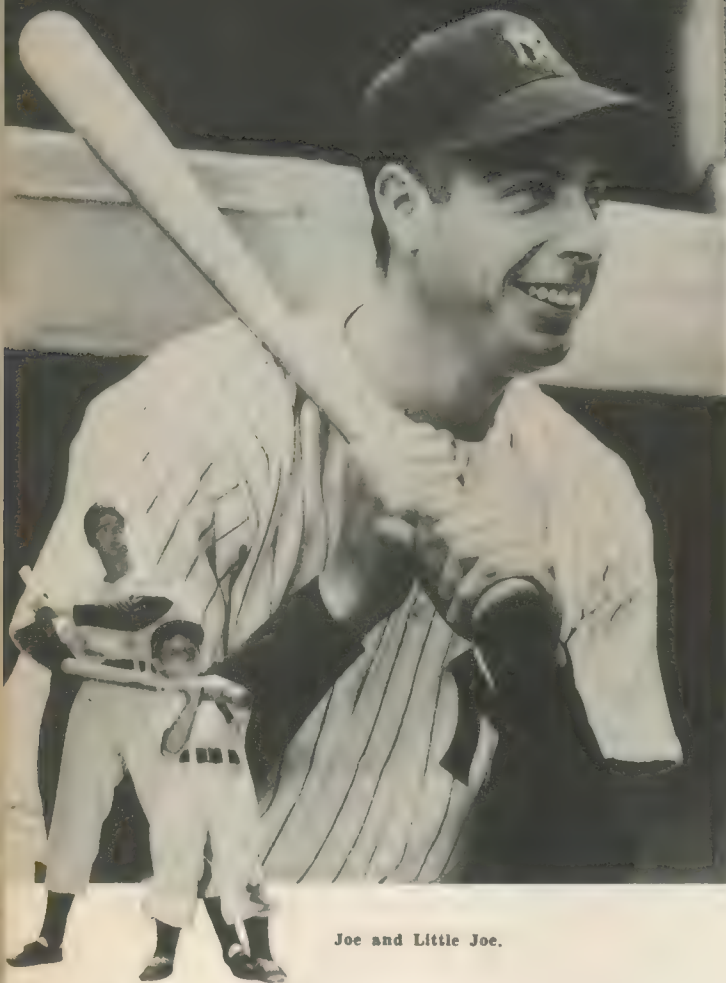
Top to bottom: Bill Dickey, Frank Crosetti and Jim Turner.

The Yankees' coaching staff was selected with the same careful planning a club might exert in molding an infield or a pitching corps. From the start of the '49 Spring training at St. Petersburg, Fla., it was obvious the time spent in assembling Stengel's lieutenants was to pay rich dividends. It was like surrounding him with a group of professors. Frankie Crosetti took over the infielders. Bill Dickey's advice on hitting was sought by all and his catching instruction brought Yogi Berra from the outfield to the mask-and-pad department once again. Jim Turner worked tirelessly with the pitchers. With Stengel, this All-Yankee trio created a smooth team. All have one characteristic in common. They just happen to think about baseball approximately twenty-four hours a day.





# Joe DiMaggio



Joe and Little Joe.

In Spring training before his legs are tuned up for the arduous tasks ahead, Joe DiMaggio fools around the infield while waiting for his turn at the plate during batting practice. You'll usually find him at shortstop where he'll grab whatever grounders get by little Phil Rizzuto—if any. Actually, Joe is returning to an old love for it was as a shortstop he broke into organized baseball. He played three games at that position for San Francisco in 1932 before he moved to the outfield and stardom.

Many records have fallen to Joe's crashing bat. The one he'll be remembered for, of course, is his 56-game hitting streak in 1941—a batting splurge which hoisted the Yankees far beyond the reach of the rest of the league. Joe has been thrice named the A.L.'s Most Valuable Player—1939, 1941 and 1947. He has the distinction of having played on four World Championship clubs his first four seasons as a Yankee. He has played in eight October Classics, ten All-Star Games.

His heroic comeback in 1949 added one more bright chapter to a career which will assuredly move him into Baseball's Hall of Fame as soon as his playing career is ended. Having missed the first sixty-five games of the season because of a heel injury, Joe got back into the line-up against Boston—with nothing

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1932	San Francisco	P.C.L.	SS	3	9	2	1	1	0	0	.222
1933	San Francisco	P.C.L.	OF	187	762	259	45	13	28	169	.340
1934	San Francisco	P.C.L.	OF	101	375	128	18	6	12	69	.341
1935	San Francisco	P.C.L.	OF	172	679	270	48	18	34	154	.398
1936	New York	A.L.	OF	138	637	206	44	15	29	125	.323
1937	New York	A.L.	OF	151	621	215	35	15	46	167	.346
1938	New York	A.L.	OF	145	599	194	32	13	32	140	.324
1939	New York	A.L.	OF	120	462	176	32	6	30	126	.381
1940	New York	A.L.	OF	132	508	179	28	9	31	133	.352
1941	New York	A.L.	OF	139	541	193	43	11	30	125	.357
1942	New York	A.L.	OF	154	610	186	29	13	21	114	.305
1943-44-45	Military Service										
1946	New York	A.L.	OF	132	503	146	20	8	25	95	.290
1947	New York	A.L.	OF	141	534	168	31	10	20	97	.315
1948	New York	A.L.	OF	153	594	190	26	11	39	155	.320
1949	New York	A.L.	OF	76	272	94	14	6	14	67	.346
Major League Totals				1481	5881	1947	334	117	320	1344	.333

## World Series Record

1936	New York	A.L.	OF	6	26	9	3	0	0	0	.346
1937	New York	A.L.	OF	5	22	6	0	0	1	4	.273
1938	New York	A.L.	OF	4	15	4	0	0	1	2	.267
1939	New York	A.L.	OF	4	16	5	0	0	1	3	.313
1941	New York	A.L.	OF	5	19	5	0	0	0	1	.263
1942	New York	A.L.	OF	5	21	7	0	0	0	3	.333
1947	New York	A.L.	OF	7	26	6	0	0	2	5	.231
1949	New York	A.L.	OF	5	18	2	0	0	1	2	.111
World Series Totals				41	163	44	3	0	6	20	.270



more than an exhibition-game tune-up against the Giants behind him—and in a three-game series batted .455, hit four home runs and a single in eleven trips to the plate, drove in nine runs and swept the series.

As later events were to prove, that devastating onslaught by DiMaggio also swept the Red Sox right out of the pennant. It was the comeback of a true champion.

### FIFTY-SIX IN A ROW

Date	Opponent	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
May 15	Chicago .....	4	0	1	0	0	0	1
16	Chicago .....	4	2	2	0	1	1	1
17	Chicago .....	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
18	St. Louis .....	3	3	3	1	0	0	1
19	St. Louis .....	3	0	1	1	0	0	0
20	St. Louis .....	5	1	1	0	0	0	1
21	Detroit .....	5	0	2	0	0	0	1
22	Detroit .....	4	0	1	0	0	0	1
23	Boston .....	5	0	1	0	0	0	2
24	Boston .....	4	2	1	0	0	0	2
25	Boston .....	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
27	Washington .....	5	3	4	0	0	1	3
*28	Washington .....	4	1	1	0	1	0	0
29	Washington .....	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
30	Boston .....	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
30	Boston .....	3	0	1	1	0	0	0
June 1	Cleveland .....	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
1	Cleveland .....	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
2	Cleveland .....	4	2	2	1	0	0	0
3	Detroit .....	4	1	1	0	0	1	1
5	Detroit .....	5	1	1	0	1	0	1
7	St. Louis .....	5	2	3	0	0	0	1
8	St. Louis .....	4	3	2	0	0	2	4
8	St. Louis .....	4	1	2	1	0	1	3
10	Chicago .....	5	1	1	0	0	0	0
*12	Chicago .....	4	1	2	0	0	1	1
14	Cleveland .....	2	0	1	1	0	0	1
15	Cleveland .....	3	1	1	0	0	1	1
16	Cleveland .....	5	0	1	1	0	0	0
17	Chicago .....	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
18	Chicago .....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
19	Chicago .....	3	2	3	0	0	1	2
20	Detroit .....	5	3	4	1	0	0	1
21	Detroit .....	4	0	1	0	0	0	1
22	Detroit .....	5	1	2	1	0	1	2
24	St. Louis .....	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
25	St. Louis .....	4	1	1	0	0	1	3
26	St. Louis .....	4	0	1	1	0	0	1
27	Philadelphia .....	3	1	2	0	0	1	2
28	Philadelphia .....	5	1	2	1	0	0	0
29	Washington .....	4	1	1	1	0	0	0
29	Washington .....	5	1	1	0	0	0	1
July 1	Boston .....	4	0	2	0	0	0	1
1	Boston .....	3	1	1	0	0	0	1
2	Boston .....	5	1	1	0	0	1	3
5	Philadelphia .....	4	2	1	0	0	1	2
6	Philadelphia .....	5	2	4	1	0	0	2
6	Philadelphia .....	4	0	2	0	1	0	2
*10	St. Louis .....	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
11	St. Louis .....	5	1	4	0	0	1	2
12	St. Louis .....	5	1	2	1	0	0	1
13	Chicago .....	4	2	3	0	0	0	0
13	Chicago .....	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
14	Chicago .....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
15	Chicago .....	4	1	2	1	0	0	2
16	Cleveland .....	4	3	3	1	0	0	0
Totals .....		223	56	91	16	4	15	55

\* Night Games

Batting Average: .408

1. Joe is awarded Kenesaw Mountain Landis trophy as American League's Most Valuable Player of 1947.

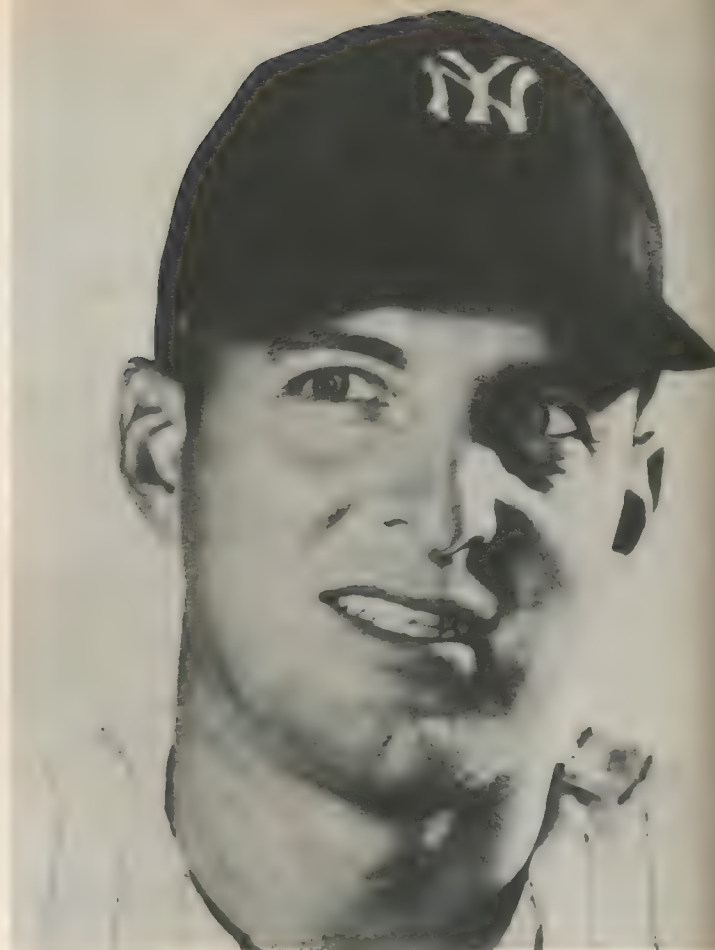
2. Answering plaudits of the crowd at Joe D-Day, Oct. 1, 1949.

3. After missing sixty-five games last year due to heel injury, DiMaggio comes to bat in home run hitting contest vs. N. Y. Giants in pre-game show before annual sandlot benefit game.





# TOM HENRICH



ONE of the most personable of ball players, Tommy Henrich is a gifted after-dinner speaker, a bearcat in a Barber-shop Quartet and "Mr. Cigar Smoker of 1949." And, just in case we slip too far along on his off-the-diamond activities, he's a topnotch ball player—in a pinch, one of the best. Henrich has been dubbed "Old Reliable" and "Mr. Clutch" and he didn't come by those titles lightly. The number of games Henrich has won by late-inning homers are many. His winning of the first game of the 1949 World Series was just a sample.

Tommy's ball playing career began on a softball diamond. He was discovered by a Cleveland scout as he played with the big ball at his native town of Massillon, Ohio. He signed into pro baseball at Zanesville in 1934 and progressed as far as New Orleans in 1936 when the late Commissioner K. M. Landis declared him a free agent because of an irregularity

in Cleveland's handling of his career. The bidding was lively for Tommy but the Yankees won the battle largely because, as Henrich said later, he "always wanted to be a Yankee, anyway."

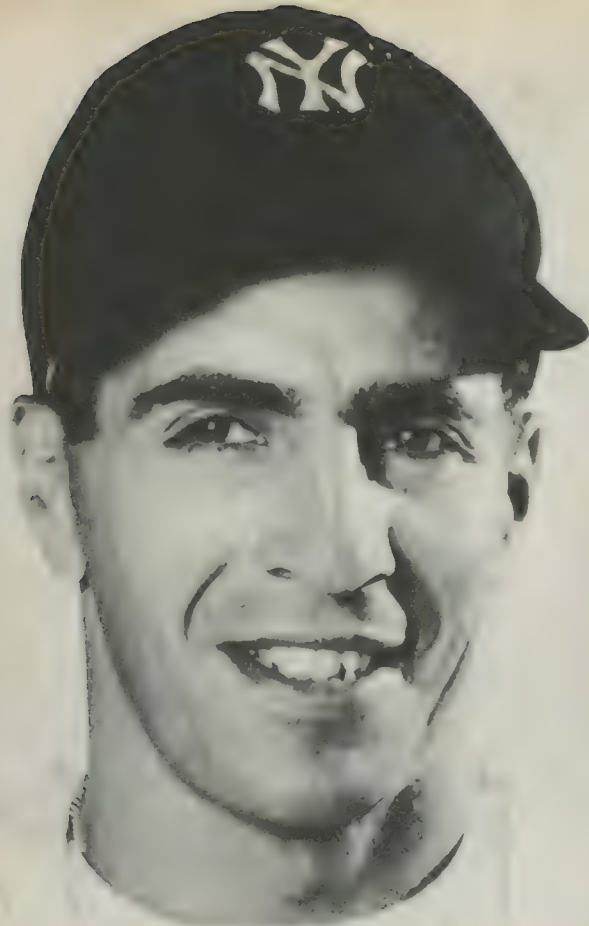
A veteran of four World Series and three All-Star games, Henrich hit four Grand Slam home runs in 1948, tying a major league record. Late in the season he narrowly missed a fifth such smash when a drive to right field curved foul by a few feet. The amazing string of injuries which beset the Yankees last year made Henrich its chief target. He suffered several injuries which would have benched a less courageous player but Henrich played on—once with a broken toe, later with a corset to protect two mending vertebrae.

And when the season was concluded "Sport" magazine proudly proclaimed him: Athlete of the Year!



Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1934	Zanesville	Mid-Atl.	OF	4	13	4	3	0	0	1	.308
1934	Monessen	Penn-State	OF	104	387	126	16	14	15	70	.326
1935	Zanesville	Mid-Atl.	OF	115	451	152	43	1	12	78	.337
1935	New Orleans	South.	OF	17	63	21	6	3	0	10	.333
1936	New Orleans	South.	OF	157	581	203	48	16	15	100	.346
1937	Newark	Int.	OF	7	25	11	2	2	0	8	.440
1937	New York	A.L.	OF	67	206	66	14	5	8	42	.320
1938	New York	A.L.	OF	131	471	127	24	7	22	91	.270
1939	New York	A.L.	OF-1B	99	347	96	18	4	9	57	.277
1940	New York	A.L.	OF-1B	90	293	90	28	5	10	53	.307
1941	New York	A.L.	OF	144	538	149	27	5	31	85	.277
1942	New York	A.L.	OF-1B	127	483	129	30	5	13	67	.267
1943-44-45 Military Service											
1946	New York	A.L.	OF-1B	150	565	142	25	4	19	83	.251
1947	New York	A.L.	OF	142	550	158	35	13	16	98	.287
1948	New York	A.L.	OF-1B	146	588	181	42	14	25	100	.308
1949	New York	A.L.	OF-1B	115	411	118	20	3	24	85	.287
Major League Totals				1211	4452	1256	263	65	177	761	.282
World Series Record											
1938	New York	A.L.	OF	4	16	4	1	0	1	1	.250
1941	New York	A.L.	OF	5	18	3	1	0	1	1	.167
1947	New York	A.L.	OF	7	31	10	2	0	1	5	.323
1949	New York	A.L.	1B	5	19	5	0	0	1	1	.263
World Series Totals				21	84	22	4	0	4	8	.265





## PHIL RIZZUTO



**"I'D LIKE** to see that little Italian kid some more."

So spoke Paul Krichell, Chief Scout of the Yankees' talent-sleuthing corps, as he and his staff compared notes on youngsters who had just concluded play in one of the periodical tryout classes in Yankee Stadium back in 1936.

"I think the kid's got a chance."

"Krich" was discussing the future of little Phil Rizzuto, who was to become one of the game's great shortstops. Despite his diminutive build, Rizzuto appealed to Krichell's sharp scouting eye and it was a mighty fortunate catch the Yankee scout made.

The following year Rizzuto was in the Yankee farm system at Bassetts, Va. He moved up the ladder to Norfolk, Kansas City and, after four years in the minors, came bounc-

ing into a Yankee clubhouse to stay. Jumped right into his first of four World Series, too.

Phil's a veteran now. Matter of fact there were some who said he was moving on toward the twilight of his career when the 1949 campaign got under way. A sore arm bothered Phil. He was having eye trouble, too. The skeptics wondered what would become of the Yankees when Phil began to slip. They could have saved themselves the trouble. Rizzuto had one of his greatest seasons, missed only two games while more muscular mates were falling by the wayside daily and when the season was finished, Phil was regarded by many—even if the national poll didn't go that way—as the American League's Most Valuable Player.

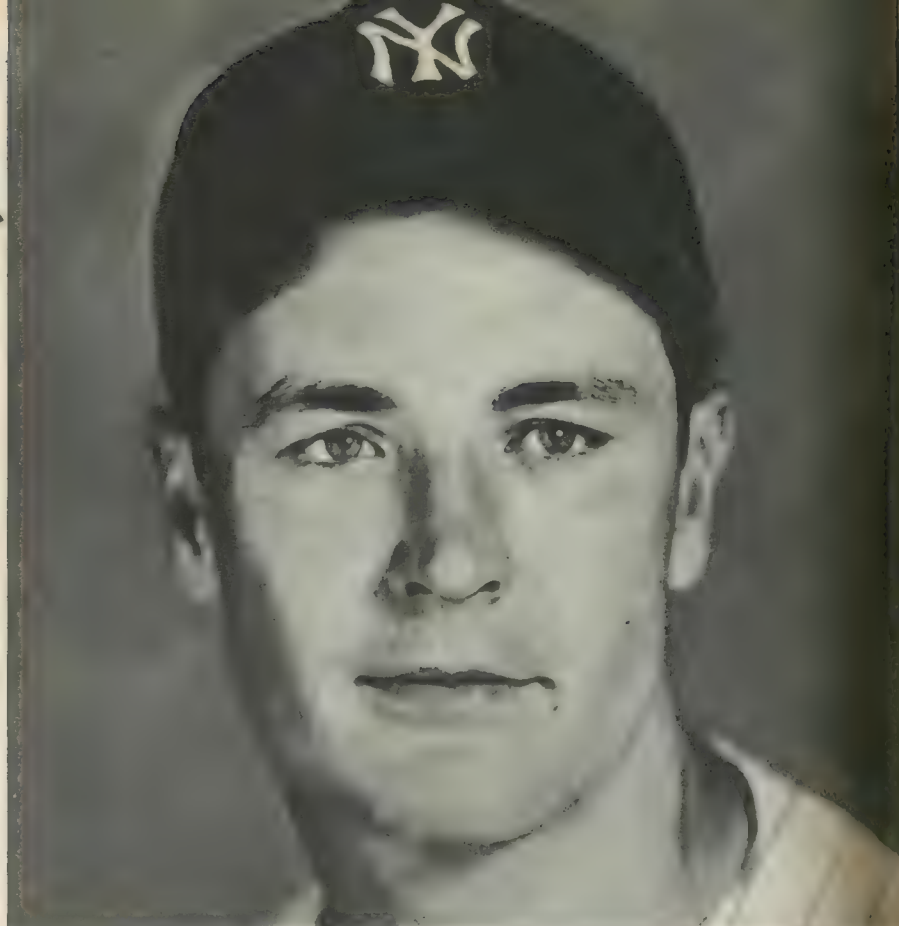
A mighty mite off the sidewalks of New York.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1937	Bassets	Bi-St.	SS	67	284	88	17	5	5	39	.310
1938	Norfolk	Piedmont	3B-SS	112	446	150	24	10	9	58	.336
1939	Kansas City	A.A.	SS	135	503	159	21	6	5	64	.316
1940	Kansas City	A.A.	SS	148	579	201	28	10	10	73	.347
1941	New York	A.L.	SS	133	515	158	20	9	3	46	.307
1942	New York	A.L.	SS	144	553	157	24	7	4	68	.284
1943-44-55 Military Service											
1946	New York	A.L.	SS	126	471	121	17	1	2	38	.257
1947	New York	A.L.	SS	153	549	150	26	9	2	60	.273
1948	New York	A.L.	SS	128	464	117	13	2	6	50	.252
1949	New York	A.L.	SS	153	614	169	22	7	5	64	.275
Major League Totals				837	3166	872	122	35	22	326	.275
World Series Record											
1941	New York	A.L.	SS	5	18	2	0	0	0	0	.111
1942	New York	A.L.	SS	5	21	8	0	0	1	1	.381
1947	New York	A.L.	SS	7	26	8	1	0	0	2	.308
1949	New York	A.L.	SS	5	18	3	0	0	0	1	.167
World Series Totals				22	83	21	1	0	1	4	.253





# JOE PAGE



BACK on the night of May 26, 1947, with 74,747 fans, the Yankee Stadium's record after-dinner crowd, looking on, Joe Page probably was one pitch from the minor leagues and possibly baseball oblivion. A promising southpaw pitcher as far back as 1940 when he joined the Yankee farm system out of the Pennsylvania coal regions, Page had been erratic. After winning 14 and losing 5 for Newark in '43, he came up to the Yankees, started brilliantly and, after being picked to pitch in the American League All-Star game, finished the season in Newark.

Back again in '45, he was an in-and-out performer. Wildness hampered his progress. He failed again as a starting pitcher early in '47 so Bucky Harris relegated him to the bullpen and told him he would have to "pitch his way out." When, on the aforementioned evening, he was called upon to hurl

against the Red Sox and once again was wild, Harris fumed. Later the pilot admitted he would have advised Page's return to the minors if he had failed.

But fail Page did not. At the count of 3-0 against Rudy York, Page found his control and fanned the big slugger. Bobby Doerr also was a strikeout victim. The next batter lifted weakly to short right. And Page then went all the way to what proved to be an easy New York victory, vital in the '47 pennant hunt. All Yankee fans know the rest. Joe became famous in relief, appeared in 56 games in 1947, 55 in 1948 and 60 last year.

He hasn't "pitched his way out of the bullpen" yet—but he's not complaining. He has become the greatest relief pitcher of all time.

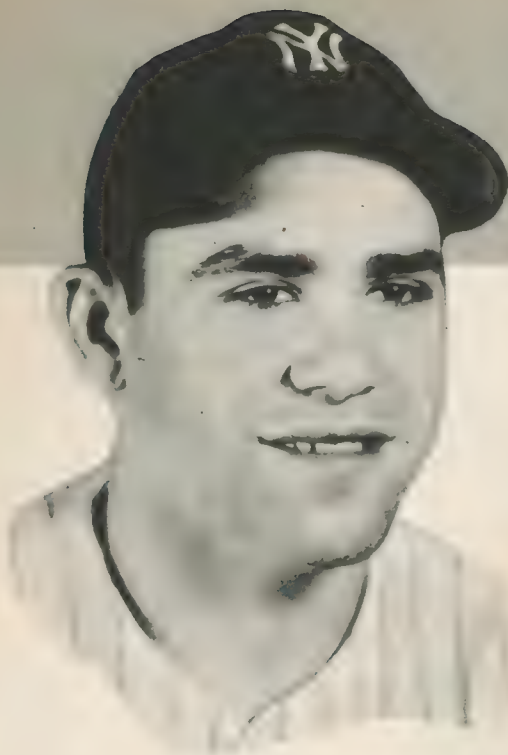


Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
1940	Butler	Penn State	16	98	11	3	72	56	40	141	52	3.67
1941	Augusta	So. Atl.	40	201	12	12	203	125	98	165	112	4.39
1942	Newark	Int.	20	88	7	6	71	49	41	73	69	4.19
1943	Newark	Int.	28	186	14	5	132	69	63	140	119	3.05
1944	New York	A.L.	19	103	5	7	100	65	52	63	52	4.54
1944	Newark	Int.	9	72	4	5	53	25	22	65	32	2.71
1945	New York	A.L.	20	102	6	3	95	43	32	50	46	2.82
1946	New York	A.L.	31	136	9	8	126	66	54	77	72	3.57
1947	New York	A.L.	56	141	14	8	105	41	39	116	72	2.49
1948	New York	A.L.	55	108	7	8	116	59	51	77	66	4.25
1949	New York	A.L.	60	135	13	8	103	44	39	99	75	2.60
Major League Totals			241	725	54	42	645	318	267	482	383	3.31

## World Series Record

1947	New York	A.L.	4	13	1	1	12	6	6	7	2	4.15
1949	New York	A.L.	3	9	1	0	6	2	2	8	3	2.00
World Series Totals			7	22	2	1	18	8	8	15	5	3.27





**LARRY BERRA**

Early in the season of 1946 a squat and muscular sailor, whose strange physique put the Naval uniform issued to him by Uncle Sam to the fullest test, dropped in at Yankee Stadium. He said he would be out of service soon and would be ready to take over as catcher for the Yankees. He didn't make it that fast but was sent instead to Newark. After a half-season there, however, Larry Berra came back to the Stadium and he has been a Yankee fixture ever since. One of the great natural hitters of current baseball, Yogi had been turned down by the Cardinals in his native St. Louis. But Johnny Schulte, then a Yankee coach, signed him. Now Schulte, of the Boston Red Sox staff, is just as sorry he made a Yankee out of Berra as the Cardinals are mournful over the fact he isn't a teammate of Joe Garagiola, his old Elizabeth Street neighbor up on The Hill.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1943	Norfolk	Piedmont	C	111	376	95	17	8	7	56	.253
1944-45	Military Service										
1946	Newark	Int.	C-OF	77	277	87	14	1	15	59	.314
1946	New York	A.L.	C	7	22	8	1	0	2	4	.364
1947	New York	A.L.	C-OF	83	293	82	15	3	11	54	.280
1948	New York	A.L.	C-OF	125	469	143	24	10	14	98	.305
1949	New York	A.L.	OF	116	415	115	20	2	20	91	.277

Major League Totals 331 1799 348 60 15 47 247 .290

World Series Record

1947	New York	A.L.	C-OF	6	19	3	0	0	1	2	.158
1949	New York	A.L.	C	4	16	1	0	0	0	1	.063

World Series Total 10 35 4 0 0 1 3 .114

The Yankees had to call upon the services of an upstate sheriff to get Vic Raschi into a Yankee uniform in 1946. Raschi, back from military service that year, had pitched for Binghamton and then Newark and had gone home at the close of the International League season. But the Yankees wanted him to finish up in New York. After trying to reach him by phone, telegraph and special delivery letter, they asked the police to see if they could locate him. This broke up a hunting trip for Raschi but he arrived in time to win a pair of games for the Yankees. Farmed out to Portland in 1947, he enjoyed the coaching there of Jim Turner and was recalled in mid-season to join the Yankees in a record-tying streak of nineteen victories, to which he contributed a vital pair. And, over the seasons of 1948 and '49 he won forty games to become the ace of the Yankee staff.

Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
1941	Amsterdam	Can-Am.	17	142	10	6	167	72	58	117	53	3.67
1942	Norfolk	Piedmont	17	113	4	10	86	36	34	79	41	2.71
1943-44-45	Military Service											
1946	Binghamton	Eastern	23	168	10	10	153	80	59	160	70	3.16
1946	Newark	Int.	5	33	1	2	32	15	12	16	8	3.27
1946	New York	A.L.	2	16	2	0	14	7	7	11	5	3.94
1947	Portland	P.C.L.	12	85	8	2	74	29	56	68	42	2.75
1947	New York	A.L.	15	105	7	2	89	47	45	51	38	3.86
1948	New York	A.L.	36	223	19	8	208	103	95	124	74	3.83
1949	New York	A.L.	38	275	21	10	247	120	102	124	138	3.34

Major League Totals 91 619 49 20 558 277 249 310 255 3.62

World Series Record

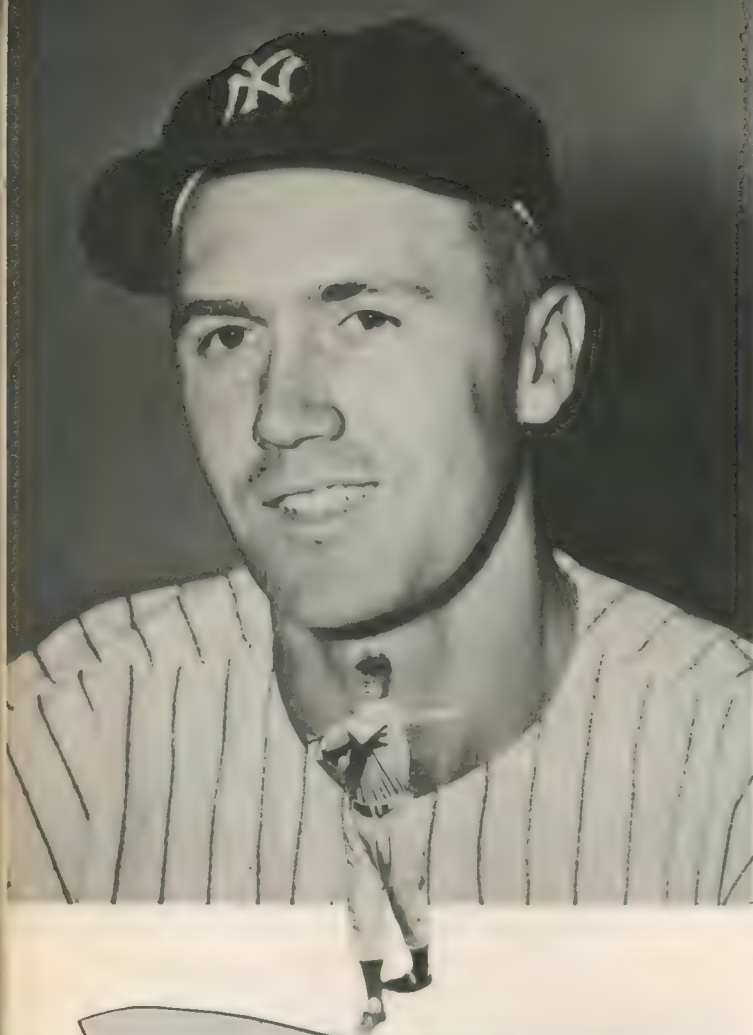
1947	New York	A.L.	2	1 1/2	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	6.75
1949	New York	A.L.	2	14 2/3	1	1	15	7	7	11	5	4.30

World Series Totals 4 16 1 1 17 8 8 12 5 4.50



**VIC RASCHI**





## BOBBY BROWN

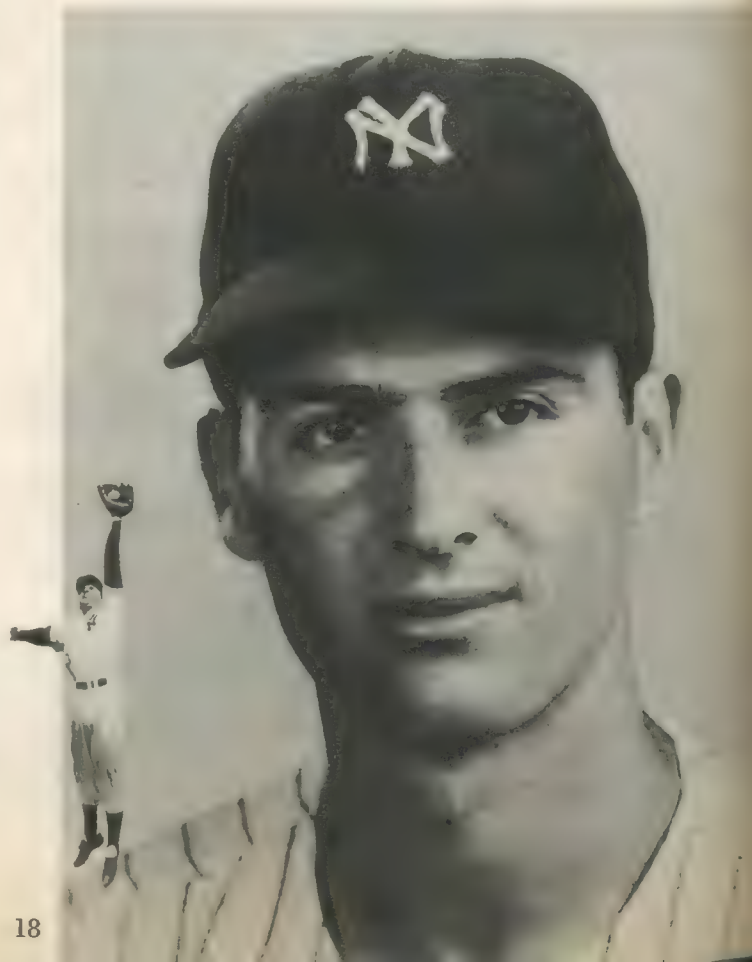
If the Yankees continue their habit of playing in the World Series more often than not, Bobby Brown is going to bid for some unusual October Classic batting record. There's something about a World Series which brings out the best in Bobby. In 1947, as a pinch hitter, he batted 1.000, blasting two doubles and a single and walking once in four trips from the dugout. Last Fall he hit .500, socking a double, two triples and three singles while driving in five runs. Brown, who will soon write "Dr." before his name, was signed for a healthy bonus by the Yankees in 1946. He spent only part of a season in the minors, yet batted an even .300 his first two full seasons in the majors. Bothered by an ankle injury, he dropped to .283 last year but was his old self once again by Series time.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1946	Newark	Int.	SS	148	510	174	27	4	5	68	.341
1946	New York	A.L.	SS	7	24	8	1	0	0	1	.333
1947	New York	A.L.	3B	69	150	45	6	1	1	18	.300
1948	New York	A.L.	2B-SS-3B	113	363	109	19	5	3	48	.300
1949	New York	A.L.	3B	104	343	97	14	4	6	61	.283
Major League Totals				293	880	259	40	10	10	128	.294
World Series Record											
1947	New York	A.L.	PH	4	3	3	2	0	0	3	1.000
1949	New York	A.L.	3B	4	12	6	1	2	0	5	.500
World Series Total				8	15	9	3	2	0	8	.600

## JERRY COLEMAN

Picked by a nationwide Associated Press poll as the Rookie of the Year last season, Jerry Coleman was rewarded for the considerable labor to which he subjected himself during the Winter of 1948-'49. Coming home from Newark with a '48 average of .251, Coleman was convinced there would be no future for him in baseball if his hitting continued to decline. So he spent the Winter building up muscles with push-ups and other calisthenics. He also changed his batting style and copied the choke grip of his San Francisco neighbor and idol, Frank Crosetti. Not highly regarded when the Yankees assembled at St. Petersburg for the '49 training season, Coleman soon caught the eye of the Yankee Board of Strategy with his smooth and extensive coverage of second base territory—and, when his bat also spoke with authority, Coleman was headed for headlines.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1942	Wellesville	Pony	3B	83	289	88	3	1	4	52	.304
1943-45	Military Service										
1946	Kansas City	A.A.	3B	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	.333
1946	Elmhurst	East.	3B-SS	134	487	134	25	3	4	53	.275
1947	Kansas City	A.A.	3B	131	446	124	15	6	6	57	.278
1948	Newark	Int.	2B-SS-3B	142	491	123	26	1	8	62	.251
1949	New York	A.L.	2B	128	447	123	21	5	2	42	.275
Major League Totals				128	447	123	21	5	2	42	.275
World Series Record											
1949	New York	A.L.	2B	5	20	5	3	0	0	4	.250





## ED LOPAT

Had he followed his first love, Ed Lopat would have been a hard-hitting first baseman. A native of New York, he tried out with the Dodgers and the Giants but, with Lou Gehrig on first base, Ed didn't even bring his suit to Yankee Stadium. Yet, some years later he landed back at the Bronx ballyard. Joining the Dodgers' system in 1937, Lopat switched from first base to the mound, bounced around in various minor leagues for eight seasons and then came up to the Chicago White Sox. His acquisition by the Yankees was one of George Weiss's first important deals after he took over as the club's general manager. The chunky southpaw has led the club in the E.R.A. lists the two years he has been in a Yankee uniform.

Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
1937	Greensburg Pa. State											
1937	Jeanerette	Evang.	6	30	0	2	32	28	—	18	18	—
1938	Jeanerette	Evang.	23	178	12	7	159	65	54	103	73	2.73
1938	Kilgore	E. Texas	11	79	5	4	65	37	30	39	58	3.42
1938	Shreveport	Texas	3	19	1	2	23	16	11	7	13	5.21
1939	Longview	E. Texas	29	226	16	9	193	88	53	169	92	2.11
1940	Shreveport	Texas	15	47	0	3	51	39	31	25	24	5.94
1940	Marshall	E. Texas	24	154	7	9	161	82	59	94	51	3.45
1941	Salina	West. A.	31	176	11	15	206	102	75	104	71	3.83
1941	Oklahoma City	Texas	7	51	3	4	43	19	10	22	13	1.76
1942	Oklahoma City	Texas	32	122	6	7	117	65	45	55	52	3.32
1942	Little Rock	Southern	12	71	6	4	59	25	21	41	24	2.66
1943	Little Rock	Southern	32	245	19	10	258	103	83	96	62	3.05
1944	Chicago	A.L.	27	210	11	10	217	96	76	75	59	3.26
1945	Chicago	A.L.	26	199	10	13	226	101	91	74	56	4.12
1946	Chicago	A.L.	29	231	13	13	216	80	70	89	48	2.73
1947	Chicago	A.L.	31	253	16	13	241	88	79	109	73	2.81
1948	New York	A.L.	33	227	17	11	246	106	92	83	66	3.85
1949	New York	A.L.	31	215	15	10	222	93	78	70	69	3.27

Major League Totals 177 1335 82 70 1368 564 486 500 371 3.28



## HANK BAUER

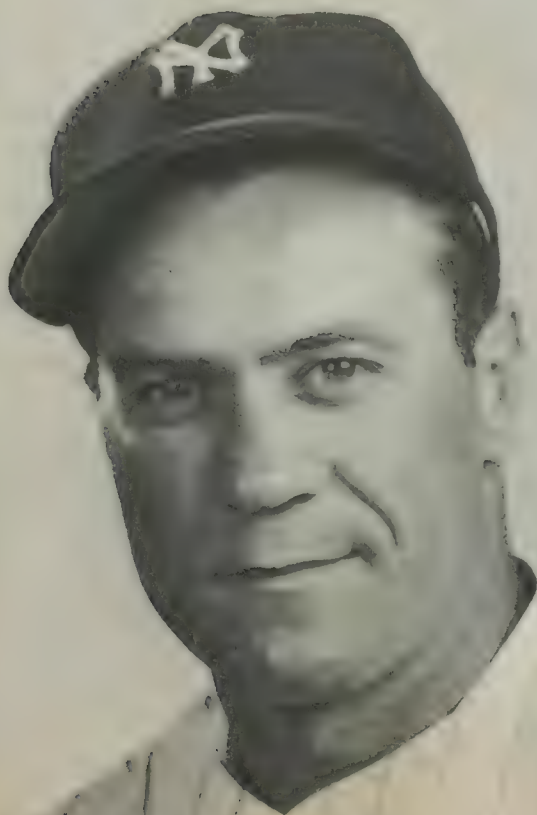
After long service with the Marines, a hitch which began even before World War II was declared, Hank Bauer got around to his pro baseball career in 1946 at Quincy, Ill., in the Three-I league. And in a few months, rival clubs were attempting to lure him away from the Yankees in the trading marts. Hank's speed afoot, strong throwing arm and penchant for extra base hits forecast his early rise to the Yankees and, in fact, he was in the Stadium in less than three years. A vital cog in Casey Stengel's two-platoon system last year, Hank thrilled Stadium fans with several tremendous throws from the outfield before visiting runners became wary and stopped running when he got his hands on the ball.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1946	Quincy	Three-I	OF	109	480	139	24	8	12	90	.323
1947	Kansas City	A.A.	OF	131	457	143	32	5	16	79	.313
1948	Kansas City	A.A.	OF	132	541	165	32	11	23	100	.305
1948	New York	A.L.	OF	19	50	9	1	1	1	9	.180
1949	New York	A.L.	OF	103	301	82	6	6	10	45	.272

Major League Totals 122 351 91 7 7 11 54 .259

### World Series Record

1949	New York	A.L.	OF	3	6	1	0	0	0	0	.167
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## BILLY JOHNSON

Billy Johnson is what the trade calls a ball player's ball player—steady, dependable, cool in a pinch, a tough man to handle in a tight tussle. Billy just about broke up the World Series in 1943—his first—with a base-clearing triple in the third game. The St. Louis Cardinals, triumphant over the Yankees in '42 and all even with them until Johnson's jolt, didn't win another game. That season Billy was named the Rookie of the Year in the American League. Although he batted only .280, Johnson drove in ninety-four runs in a great exhibition of clutch hitting. After making a notable contribution to infantry warfare in Europe, Johnson returned to the Yankees in '46 and he has played a vital role in their two post-war World Championships.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1936	Butler	Penn State		No averages available							
1937	Butler	Penn State	OF	92	351	125	19	16	11	91	.356
1938	Augusta	So. Atl.	OF	84	314	96	14	11	0	49	.305
1938	Norfolk	Piedmont	OF	44	159	36	13	3	3	25	.226
1939	Augusta	So. Atl.	OF-3B	142	543	178	31	8	8	86	.328
1940	Augusta	So. Atl.	3B-OF	150	593	205	34	20	3	95	.346
1941	Binghamton	Eastern	OF-3B	130	464	136	29	2	13	82	.293
1941	Newark	Int.	3B-OF	5	16	8	0	0	0	1	.500
1942	Newark	Int.	SS	153	606	176	23	5	12	56	.290
1943	New York	A.L.	3B	155	592	166	24	6	5	94	.280
1944-45 Military Service											
1946	New York	A.L.	3B	85	296	77	14	5	4	35	.260
1947	New York	A.L.	3B	132	494	141	19	8	10	95	.285
1948	New York	A.L.	3B	127	446	131	20	6	12	64	.294
1949	New York	A.L.	3B	113	329	82	11	3	8	56	.249
Major League Totals				612	2157	597	88	28	39	344	.277

### World Series Record

1943	New York	A.L.	3B	5	20	6	1	1	0	3	.300
1947	New York	A.L.	3B	7	26	7	0	3	0	2	.269
1949	New York	A.L.	3B	2	7	1	0	0	0	0	.143
World Series Totals				14	53	14	1	4	0	5	.264

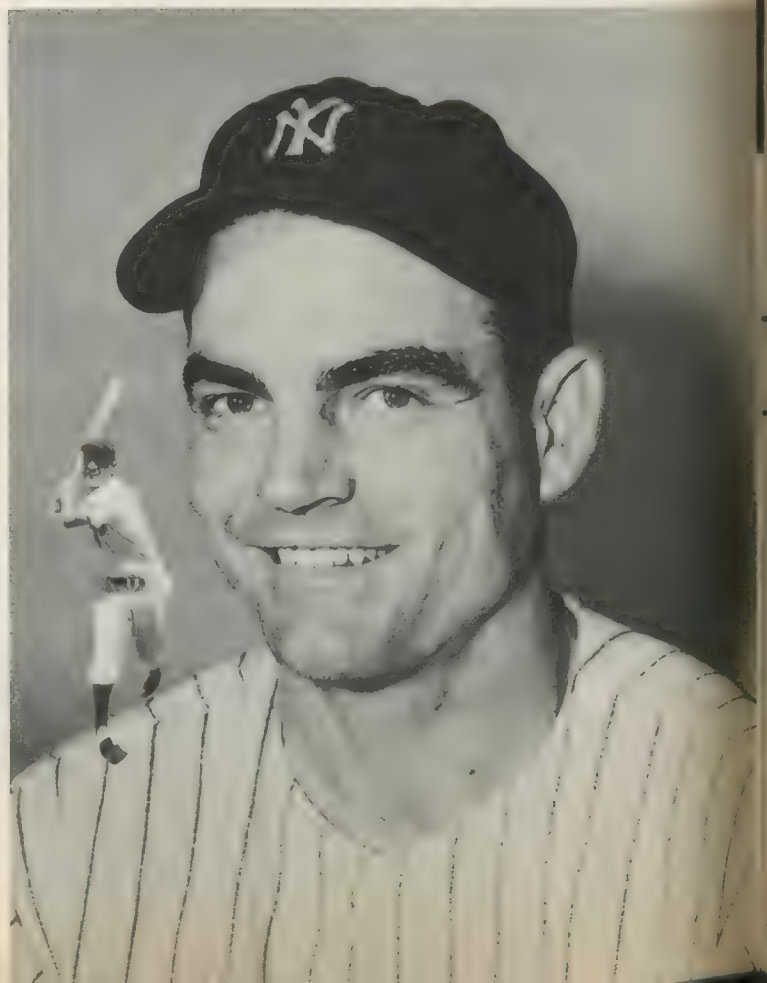
## CLIFF MAPES

Seldom, indeed, do the Yankees select players in the annual draft. On one of the rare occasions they did, however, they picked up Cliff Mapes, and it was a good choice, for Mapes was an important member of the 1949 championship club. His batting average was not robust and he did not drive in runs as frequently as did some of his mates but in the outfield Mapes was, in Casey Stengel's "book," top hand. In many games Mapes was inserted into the line-up as a defensive gesture in the late innings and more often than not the strategy paid rich dividends. On one occasion he actually threw out a Red Sox runner trying to score from third on a sharp single to right. Originally the property of the Cleveland Indians, Mapes was drafted from Wilkes-Barre after the '46 season and his Kansas City bombing in '47, when he blasted 117 runs over the plate, hustled him to Yankee Stadium.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1940	Flint	Mich. State	C-OF	101	360	88	16	7	14	69	.244
1941	Flint	Mich. State	C-1B-OF	101	356	101	18	8	14	64	.284
1942	Cedar Rapids	Three-I	OF	110	402	97	16	8	11	72	.241
1943	Wilkes-Barre	Eastern	OF	136	497	127	18	11	5	76	.256
1944-45 Military Service											
1946	Seattle	P.C.L.	OF	47	145	35	8	3	4	19	.241
1946	Wilkes-Barre	Eastern	OF	68	236	69	11	10	5	43	.292
1947	Kansas City	A.A.	OF	155	542	167	27	11	21	117	.308
1948	New York	A.L.	OF	53	88	22	11	1	1	12	.250
1949	New York	A.L.	OF	111	304	75	13	3	7	38	.247
Major League Totals				164	392	97	24	4	8	50	.249

### World Series Record

1949	New York	A.L.	OF	4	10	1	1	0	0	2	.100
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## GENE WOODLING



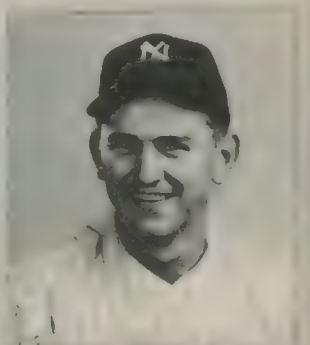
Gene Woodling won the batting championship of the Ohio State League in 1940 with an average of .398. In 1941 he won the hitting crown in the Michigan State League at .394. Two years later he topped the Eastern League at .344. Two subsequent trials in the majors failed to land him a regular job, however, so when he drifted out to San Francisco in the Pacific Coast League in 1948, Woodling was a ready listener when Frank O'Doul suggested he change his batting style completely. Result? Another league-leading average of .385, accomplished despite a leg injury which put him out of action for a month. With his new stance, Woodling also bounced back to the majors, this time purchased by the Yankees for whom he was a vital figure in Casey Stengel's 1949 two-platoon system as well as a devastating clouter in the World Series against the Dodgers.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1940	Mansfield	Ohio State	OF	85	332	132	29	6	4	68	.398
1941	Charleston	Mid-Atlantic	OF	13	46	10	2	1	0	5	.217
1941	Flint	Mich. State	OF	92	386	152	30	5	7	52	.394
1942	Wilkes-Barre	Eastern	OF	39	120	23	4	2	1	11	.192
1943	Wilkes-Barre	Eastern	OF	128	453	156	30	8	5	61	.344
1943	Cleveland	A.L.	OF	8	25	8	2	1	1	5	.320
1944-45	Military Service										
1946	Cleveland	A.L.	OF	61	133	25	1	4	0	9	.188
1947	Pittsburgh	N.L.	OF	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
1947	Newark	Int.	OF	128	477	138	19	8	8	54	.289
1948	San Francisco	P.C.L.	OF	146	524	202	22	13	22	107	.385
1949	New York	A.L.	OF	112	296	80	13	7	5	44	.270
Major League Totals				183	455	113	16	12	6	58	.248

### World Series Record

1949	New York	A.L.	OF	3	10	4	3	0	0	0	.400
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## CHARLIE SILVERA



The Yankees had only two .300 hitters last year. One was Joe DiMaggio—and that was to be expected. The other was Charlie Silvera and his lofty average came as something of a surprise. Silvera, catching replacement for Berra and one of the slickest receivers in the game, hit .315. This was Charlie's first full season in the majors. He had been with the Yankee system as early as 1942 when he and his San Francisco sandlot buddy, Jerry Coleman, reported at Wellesville, N. Y., but, like Coleman, the war had cut three years out of his career. After two seasons at Portland in '47 and '48, Silvera showed sufficient promise to be hauled up to the Yankees to stay. And while Coleman was adding 24 points to his worst minor league average, Silvera was adding 14 points to his best year in the minors. Wonder who won the Hot Stove League title when those two youngsters got together back in San Francisco last Winter?

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1942	Wellesville	Pony C		75	256	65	16	2	1	40	.254
1943-44-45	Military Service										
1946	Kansas City	A.A.	C	91	284	71	13	2	3	45	.250
1947	Portland	P.C.L.	C	120	356	88	12	3	1	39	.247
1948	Portland	P.C.L.	C	144	501	151	36	6	5	85	.301
1948	New York	A.L.	C	4	14	8	0	1	0	0	.571
1949	New York	A.L.	C	58	130	41	2	0	0	13	.315
Major League Totals				62	144	49	2	1	0	13	.340

### World Series Record

1949	New York	A.L.	C	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	.000
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## BOB PORTERFIELD



The season put in by Bob Porterfield last year was tougher for him than his chores as a paratrooper at the Battle of the Bulge. He was wounded only once at the latter event but during the '49 American League campaign he 1. threw his arm out three times; 2. suffered a paralyzing leg cramp which put him on a stretcher, and 3. had to battle minor cases of sinusitis and colds. It was a year he would rather forget. Porterfield, who was a Class D catcher as late as 1946, had come fast in baseball. He went to the pitching mound at Radford, Va., in an emergency, was purchased by the Yankees' Norfolk club, advanced to Newark where he starred in early 1948 and, less than three years after he shook off his catching pads, Bob was on the mound for the Yankees. Experts insist he's headed for pitching stardom.

Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
*1946	Radford	Blue Ridge	14	105	7	5	87	49	37	143	39	3.17
1946	Norfolk	Piedmont	7	47	1	1	52	30	24	36	18	4.60
1947	Norfolk	Piedmont	32	239	17	9	191	73	63	208	82	2.37
1948	Newark	Int.	23	178	15	6	144	47	43	133	51	2.17
1948	New York	A.L.	16	78	5	3	85	42	39	30	34	4.50
1949	New York	A.L.	12	58	2	5	53	26	26	25	29	4.03
1949	Newark	Int.	5	16	1	0	16	10	10	16	7	5.67
Major League Totals				28	136	7	8	138	68	65	55	4.30

\*In 1946 as a catcher Porterfield batted .317 in 12 games.



## RALPH HOUK



Ralph Houk is known as "The Major," and it's no nickname. He came out of military service with that rank, having entered the Army as a private. A Purple Heart veteran, he had fought with the United States Rangers all the way from the Invasion of France to the Remagen Bridge. The war took a four-year slice out of his career but Ralph made up for lost time by making the Yankees the second year after he returned from Europe. And when it was necessary to send him back to Kansas City again last Spring, he insisted he would be back. He did return, played in five stretch-run games, batted .571 and sparked the Yankees with his fiery spirit.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1939	Neosho	Ark-Mo.	C	119	427	122	15	6	1	56	.286
1940	Joplin	West. Assn.	C	110	364	114	18	7	0	63	.313
1941	Augusta	So. Atl.	C	97	340	92	11	5	1	49	.271
1942-43-44-45 Military Service											
1946	Beaumont	Texas	C	87	279	82	20	2	0	40	.294
1946	Kansas City	A.A.	C	8	23	8	2	0	1	2	.348
1947	New York	A.L.	C	41	92	25	3	1	0	12	.272
1948	Kansas City	A.A.	C	103	364	110	24	5	1	49	.302
1948	New York	A.L.	C	14	29	8	2	0	0	3	.276
1949	Kansas City	A.A.	C	95	313	86	18	1	0	36	.275
1949	New York	A.L.	C	5	7	4	0	0	0	1	.571
Major League Totals				60	128	37	5	1	0	16	.289
World Series Record											
1947	New York	A.L.	PH	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.000

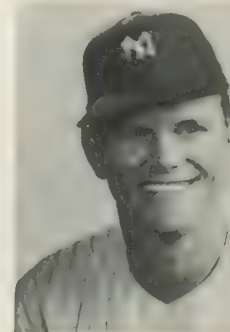
## DON JOHNSON



Back with the Yankees for a second try, Don Johnson returns in a new role. He has become a relief pitcher. At an age when most pitchers are avoiding bullpen duty like the plague, Don last year asked for the chore out on the Pacific Coast—and made good at it. Johnson was the phenom of the Yankees' Spring training camp of 1947. When he got off to a pair of quick victories, one a sterling extra-inning job against the Athletics, it seemed he was headed for immediate stardom. But his lack of experience caught up with him and Johnson won only two more games the rest of that season. He bounced from Newark to Kansas City to Portland in 1948 but last year found late-season favor with the fans of Sacramento and earned another chance with the Yankees.

Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
1944	Kansas City	A.A.	18	131	3	11	147	81	64	67	53	4.40
1944	Newark	Int.	12	67	6	2	66	35	30	38	35	4.03
1945-46 Military Service												
1947	New York	A.L.	15	54	4	3	57	26	22	16	23	3.67
1948	Newark	Int.	6	29	1	3	34	18	17	15	15	5.28
1948	Kansas City	A.A.	14	66	3	7	69	51	38	40	36	5.18
1948	Portland	Pacific	11	64	3	7	68	30	31	26	42	4.36
1949	Sacramento	Pacific	42	171	8	14	168	90	75	98	79	3.95
Major League Totals				15	54	4	3	57	26	22	16	3.67

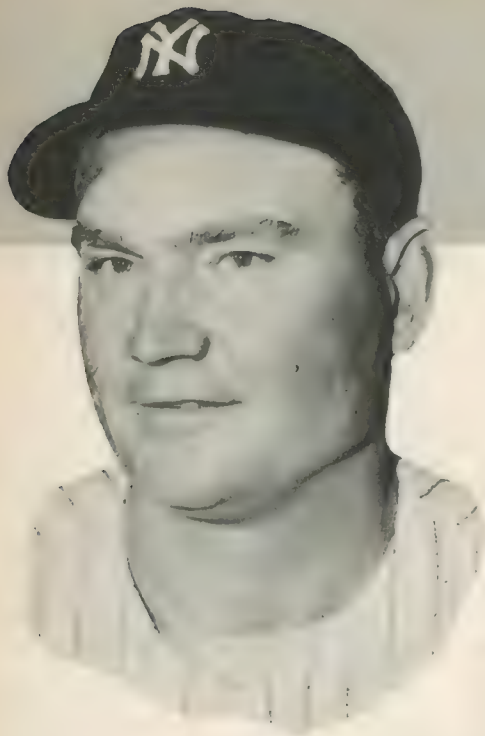
## FRED SANFORD



Back for his second season with the Yankees, burly Fred Sanford vows he'll make that \$100,000 price tag (plus three players) stand up in 1950. The Salt Lake City deputy sheriff cost the Yankees that much in the biggest deal made to strengthen Casey Stengel's forces last year. While Sanford did not star for the champions, it is notable he won three vital games in September and was unbeaten down the last-month drive to the pennant. His final record was 7 victories, 3 defeats. Fred was up with the Browns before the war but had to return to Toledo in 1946 to gain another shot at the majors. His 15-10 record there (and a 2.74 ERA) convinced St. Louis he was ready. He had begun his career at Youngstown in 1939 and in his second year drew the scouts a-buzzing when he struck out 167 batters. He fanned 154 at Toledo in '46.

Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
1939	Youngstown	Mid-Atl.	42	218	9	17	264	152	123	131	66	5.08
1940	Youngstown	Mid-Atl.	34	198	14	12	188	108	92	167	85	4.18
1941	San Antonio	Texas	37	222	10	14	194	84	70	120	90	2.84
1942	Toledo	A.A.	35	155	9	9	143	62	55	70	61	3.19
1943	Toledo	A.A.	28	190	13	9	181	86	69	106	78	3.27
1943	St. Louis	A.L.	3	9	0	0	7	2	2	2	4	2.00
1944-45 St. Louis (In Military Service)												
1946	Toledo	A.A.	29	230	15	10	199	86	70	154	77	2.74
1946	St. Louis	A.L.	3	22	2	1	19	7	5	8	9	2.05
1947	St. Louis	A.L.	34	187	7	16	186	89	77	62	76	3.71
1948	St. Louis	A.L.	42	227	12	21	250	123	117	79	91	4.64
1949	New York	A.L.	29	95	7	3	100	53	41	51	57	3.88
Major League Totals				111	540	28	41	562	274	242	202	4.03





## JOHN MIZE

A member of nine All-Star teams in the National League, dating from 1937 through 1949, Johnny Mize never had the thrill of playing in a world Series until he came to the Yankees. Purchased from the Giants late in the season and almost immediately benched by a painful shoulder injury, Jarrin' Jaw recovered in time to torment his old rivals, the Brooklyn Dodgers, with a pair of pinch hits in the October Classic. His two-run single in the ninth inning against Ralph Branca broke up a tight pitching battle in the third game—and the Dodgers never recovered. Next day the hitters, Mize included, took over a series which, until then, had been dominated by classy hurling. Mize went into the current campaign with a total of 316 home runs. His top year was 51 for the Giants in '47.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1930	Greensboro	Pied.	OF	12	31	6	3	0	0	2	.194
1931	Greensboro	Pied.	OF	94	341	115	27	1	9	64	.337
1932	Elmira	NYP	1B-OF	106	405	132	20	11	8	78	.326
1933	Greensboro	Pied.	1B	98	378	136	29	10	22	104	.360
1933	Rochester	Int.	1B	42	159	56	11	3	8	32	.352
1934	Rochester	Int.	1B	90	313	106	16	1	17	66	.339
1935	Rochester	Int.	1B	65	252	80	11	1	12	44	.317
1936	St. Louis	N.L.	OF-1B	126	414	136	30	8	19	93	.329
1937	St. Louis	N.L.	1B	145	580	204	40	7	25	113	.364
1938	St. Louis	N.L.	1B	149	531	179	34	16	27	102	.337
1939	St. Louis	N.L.	1B	153	564	197	44	14	28	108	.349
1940	St. Louis	N.L.	1B	155	579	182	31	13	43	137	.314
1941	St. Louis	N.L.	1B	126	473	150	39	8	16	100	.317
1942	New York	N.L.	1B	142	541	165	25	7	26	110	.305
1943-44-45	New York	N.L.	(In Military Service)								
1946	New York	N.L.	1B	101	377	127	18	3	22	70	.337
1947	New York	N.L.	1B	154	586	177	26	2	51	138	.302
1948	New York	N.L.	1B	152	560	162	26	4	40	125	.289
1949	New York	N.L.	1B	106	388	102	15	0	18	62	.263
1949	New York	A.L.	1B	13	23	6	1	0	1	2	.261

Major League Totals 1522 5596 1787 329 82 316 1160 .319

### World Series Record

1949 New York	A.L.	PH	2	2	2	0	0	0	2	1.000
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One of the strangest individual campaigns of 1949 was the one experienced by Allie Reynolds. He pitched only four complete games all year although he was credited with seventeen victories against six defeats. Then, in direct contrast, Reynolds came up with his finest performance of the year in the World Series when he hurled a brilliant getaway two-hit shutout against the Dodgers and a few days later came back with 3½ innings of hitless, runless relief to protect Ed Lopat's fourth-game triumph. Typical of the excellent team player he is, Reynolds' modest quote after this second chore was: "It was about time I helped somebody else. Joe Page has been helping me all season."

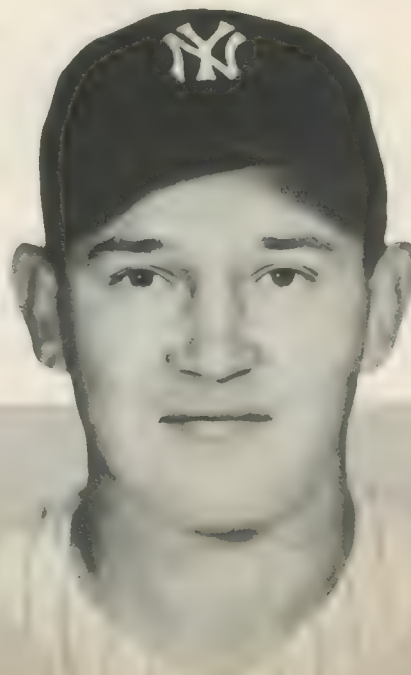
Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
1939	Springfield	Mid-Atl.	24	155	11	8	121	76	62	140	107	3.60
1940	Cedar Rap.	Three-I	30	178	12	7	170	86	71	131	88	3.59
1941	Wilkes-Barre	East.	3	6½	0	0	13	—	—	0	4	—
1941	Cedar Rap.	Three-1	27	167	10	10	173	101	86	153	97	4.63
1942	Wilkes-Barre	East.	32	231	18	7	143	54	40	193	102	1.56
1942	Cleveland	A.L.	2	5	0	0	5	1	0	2	4	0.00
1943	Cleveland	A.L.	34	199	11	12	140	72	66	151	109	2.98
1944	Cleveland	A.L.	28	158	11	8	141	63	58	84	91	3.30
1945	Cleveland	A.L.	44	247	18	12	227	102	88	112	130	3.21
1946	Cleveland	A.L.	31	163	11	15	180	93	79	107	108	3.89
1947	New York	A.L.	34	242	19	8	207	94	86	129	123	3.20
1948	New York	A.L.	39	236	16	7	240	108	99	101	111	3.78
1949	New York	A.L.	85	214	17	6	200	102	95	105	123	4.00

Major League Totals 247 1484 103 68 1340 635 571 791 799 3.46

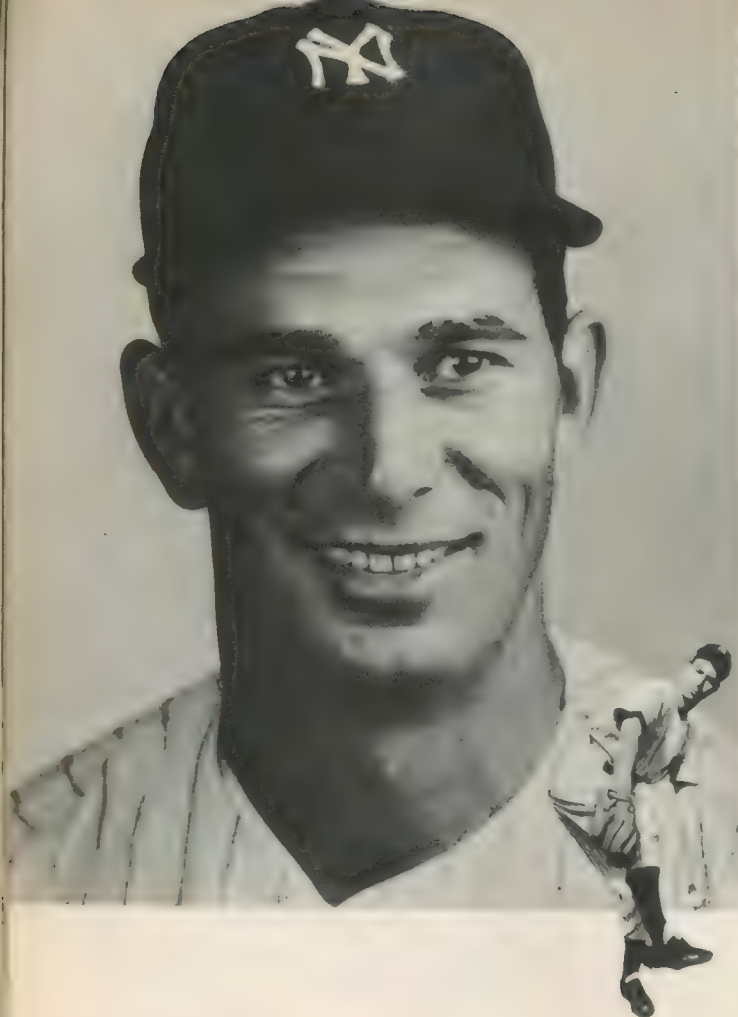
### World Series Record

1947 New York	A.L.	2	11½	1	0	15	7	6	6	3	4.74
1949 New York	A.L.	2	12½	1	0	2	0	0	14	4	0.00
World Series Total		4	23½	2	0	17	7	6	20	7	2.66

## ALLIE REYNOLDS







## TOMMY BYRNE

Tommy Byrne led the league in issuing bases on balls last year but gathered his biggest victory total—15. Giving free tickets to first base is nothing new to Tommy. Wildness has followed him ever since he went from the Wake Forest campus to the Newark Bears. Once, during service, he was pitching in Africa and had great control. Jubilantly he reported same to Joe McCarthy, then managing the Yankees. Joe read Tommy's letter and sighed: "He's more than 3,000 miles from the pitching mound at Yankee Stadium and he finds his control." After the war Byrne spent 1946 and part of '47 with the Yankees but had to be sent down to Kansas City for further seasoning. He came back in '48 and, although he contemplated shifting to first base to find his place in baseball, Byrne finally caught the victory habit and became a regular starter.

Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
1940	Newark	Int.	16	69	2	5	69	44	36	35	39	4.70
1941	Newark	Int.	26	129	10	7	127	71	57	75	68	3.98
*1942	Newark	Int.	28	209	17	4	160	94	72	147	145	3.10
1943	New York	A.L.	11	32	2	1	28	26	23	22	35	6.47
1944-45	Military Service											
1946	New York	A.L.	4	9	0	1	7	8	6	5	8	6.00
1947	New York	A.L.	4	4	0	0	5	2	2	2	6	4.50
1947	Kansas City	A.A.	19	149	12	6	109	66	54	138	106	3.26
1948	New York	A.L.	31	134	8	5	79	55	49	93	101	3.29
1949	New York	A.L.	32	196	15	7	125	84	81	129	179	3.72
Major League Totals			82	375	25	14	244	175	161	251	329	3.86

\*In 1942 as outfielder and pinch-hitter, Byrne batted .325 in 34 additional games.

### World Series Record

1949	New York	A.L.	1	3 1/3	0	0	2	1	1	1	2	2.70
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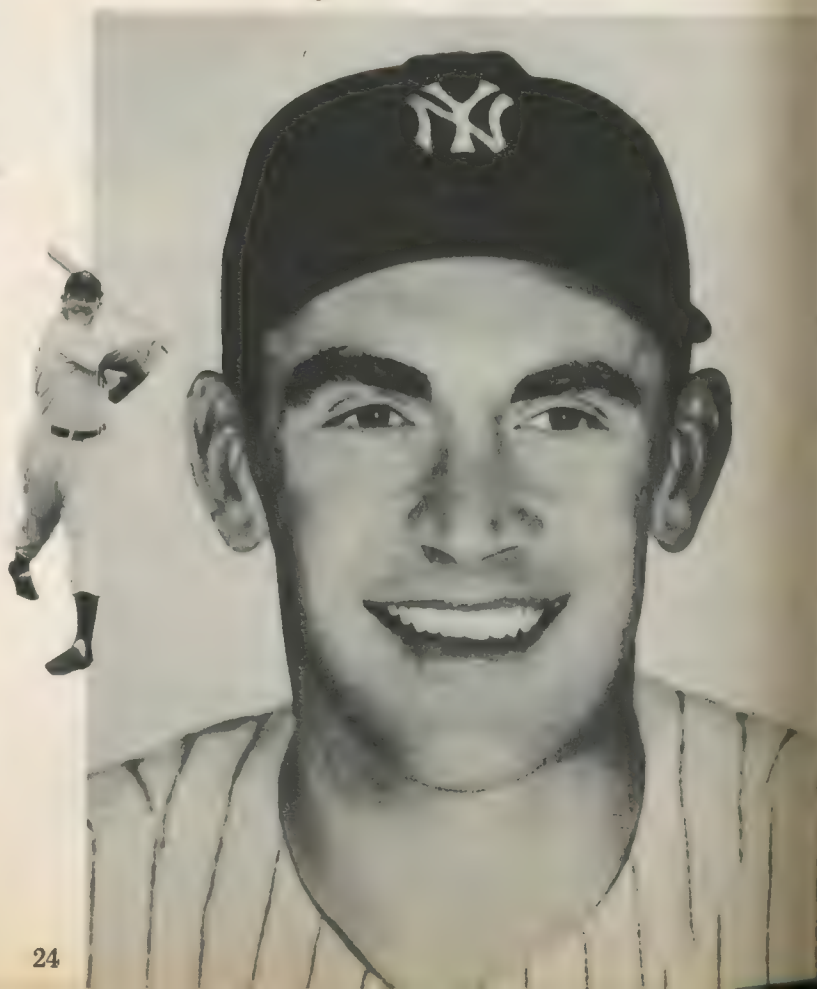
## JOHNNY LINDELL

The Yankee with the best knuckle ball plays the outfield. Johnny Lindell, who began his career as a pitcher and once won 23 games in a single season for Newark before arm trouble stopped him, still tosses a mean twister. It wasn't until 1943 Lindell gave up all thought of becoming a star moundman. His most noteworthy contribution last year was a home run which broke a 4-4 tie October 1 against the Red Sox, sending the Yankees and Bosox into the final game of the season all even in the American League standings.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1936	Joplin	West. Assn.	P-PH	42	117	38	1	1	0	23	.325
1937	Binghmtn.	N.Y.-Penn.	P-PH	32	63	20	6	2	0	8	.317
1938	Newark	Int.	P	4	6	1	0	0	1	1	.167
1938	Oakland	P.C.L.	P-OF	60	144	53	8	3	4	27	.368
1939	Kansas City	A.A.	P-PH	40	81	15	1	1	0	8	.185
1940	Kansas City	A.A.	P-PH	41	88	24	2	1	1	11	.273
1941	New York	A.L.	PH	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
1941	Newark	Int.	P-PH	51	114	34	3	0	0	9	.298
1942	New York	A.L.	P	27	24	6	1	0	0	4	.250
1943	New York	A.L.	OF	122	441	108	17	12	4	51	.245
1944	New York	A.L.	OF	149	594	178	33	16	18	103	.300
1945	New York	A.L.	OF	41	159	45	6	3	1	20	.283
1945	Military Service										
1946	New York	A.L.	OF-1B	102	332	86	10	5	10	40	.259
1947	New York	A.L.	OF	127	146	131	18	7	11	67	.275
1948	New York	A.L.	OF	88	309	98	17	2	13	55	.317
1949	New York	A.L.	OF	78	211	51	10	0	6	27	.242
Major League Totals				735	2547	703	112	45	63	367	.276

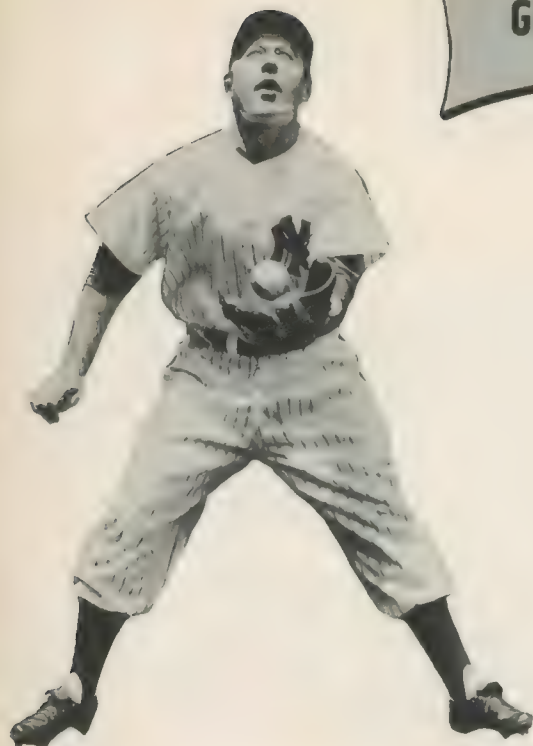
### World Series Record

1943	New York	A.L.	OF	4	9	1	0	0	0	0	.111
1947	New York	A.L.	OF	6	18	9	3	1	0	7	.500
1949	New York	A.L.	OF	2	7	1	0	0	0	0	.143
World Series Totals				12	34	11	3	1	0	7	.324





## GEORGE STIRNWEISS



Long before he emerged from Newark to scamper around second base at Yankee Stadium George Stirnweiss had found a spot in New York headlines—first as a star shortstop for a championship Fordham Prep nine and later as a fleet halfback at North Carolina, visiting New York to bedevil New York University's elevens. From North Carolina, George moved to the Norfolk Tars and, in short order, to the Newark Bears. And by 1943 he was with the Yankees. Two years later, with a batting average of .309, he captured the American League batting crown, last hitting title won by the Yankees, incidentally. Now a South Jersey farmer, Stirnweiss has had numerous out-of-season activities—coaching football and basketball, and acting as Headmaster at a baseball school.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1940	Norfolk	Piedmont	2B-SS	86	300	92	17	4	12	51	.307
1940	Newark	Int.	SS	4	14	6	2	1	0	3	.429
1941	Newark	Int.	SS-2B	100	363	96	9	3	5	48	.264
1942	Newark	Int.	2B	144	552	149	17	10	11	74	.270
1943	New York	A.L.	SS-2B	83	274	60	8	4	1	25	.219
1944	New York	A.L.	2B	154	643	205	35	16	8	43	.319
1945	New York	A.L.	2B	152	632	195	32	22	10	64	.309
1946	New York	A.L.	2B-3B	129	487	122	19	7	0	37	.251
1947	New York	A.L.	2B	148	571	146	18	8	5	41	.256
1948	New York	A.L.	2B	141	515	130	20	7	3	32	.252
1949	New York	A.L.	2B	70	157	41	8	2	0	11	.261

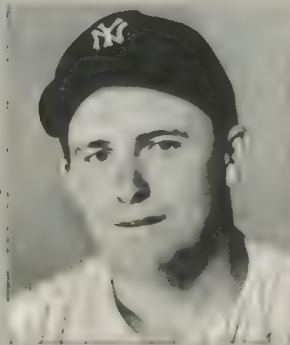
Major League Totals 877 3279 899 140 66 27 253 .274

### World Series Record

1943	New York	A.L.	2B	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
1947	New York	A.L.	2B	7	27	7	0	1	0	3	.259
1949	New York	A.L.	PR	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000

World Series Total 9 28 7 0 1 0 3 .250

## FRANK SHEA



No rookie shone more brightly than did Frank Shea, the Naugatuck Nugget, in 1947. The Connecticut Yankee, dripping with color, was a refreshing—and very valuable—addition to the Yankees' first post-War World Champions. Casey Stengel sent him up from Oakland where he won 15 and lost 5 and Shea did better than that with the Yankees. He took 14, against 5 defeats during the regular season, but also grabbed two World Series triumphs and an All-Star victory to win freshman honors for the year. Then Shea ran into arm and shoulder miseries which handicapped him throughout the 1948 and '49 campaigns.

Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
1940	Amsterdam Can-Am.		20	137	11	4	122	78	60	111	82	3.94
1941	Norfolk	Piedmont	28	199	16	10	155	73	70	154	92	3.17
1942	Kansas City	A.A.	27	100	5	8	76	38	35	89	75	3.15
1943-44-45	Military Service											
1946	Oakland	P.C.L.	24	174	15	5	125	45	32	124	60	1.66
1947	New York	A.L.	27	179	14	5	127	63	61	89	89	3.07
1948	New York	A.L.	28	156	9	10	117	66	59	71	87	3.40
1949	New York	A.L.	20	52	1	1	48	36	31	22	43	5.37
1949	Newark	Int.	5	17	0	3	16	18	16	5	18	8.47

Major League Totals 75 387 24 16 292 165 151 182 219 3.51

### World Series Record

1947 New York A.L. 2 15 2 0 10 4 4 10 2 2.25

## GUS NIARHOS



When Greek meets Greek, according to the old gag, they're supposed to start a restaurant. But down in Birmingham, Ala., when Greek meets Greek, they sit down and talk about their favorite athlete—to wit: Constantine (Gus) Niarhos. The old Birmingham West End High star has so many fans of Greek ancestry that a group of them once traveled to Washington and staged a day for him during a Yankee visit. And, if Casey Stengel keeps Gus on the bench any length of time, he's sure to find in his mail that the Greeks have a word for that sort of thing, too.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1941	Akron	Mid-Atl.	C	112	382	117	24	10	3	57	.306
1942	Binghamton	Eastern	C	127	407	113	14	4	0	32	.278
1943-44-45	Military Service										
1946	Kansas City	A.A.	C	17	51	12	2	0	0	3	.235
1946	New York	A.L.	C	37	40	4	1	1	0	2	.225
1947	Kansas City	A.A.	C	93	237	76	11	0	1	26	.321
1948	New York	A.L.	C	83	228	61	12	2	0	19	.268
1949	New York	A.L.	C	32	43	12	3	1	0	6	.279

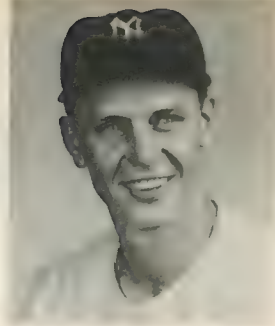
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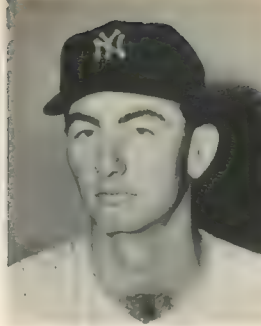
## JIM DELSING



In the furore created by other deals at the 1948-'49 Winter meetings in Chicago, one which the Yankees swung to land Jim Delsing, Hollywood outfielder, went almost unnoticed. The Yankees sent Steve Souchock to the White Sox in the transaction. But in 1949 Delsing became the American Association's All-Star Game centerfielder, batted .317 and drove in 77 runs. Reports were that he was one of the best fly-chasers in the circuit. Late in the season, when injuries cut down Casey Stengel's supply of outfielders, Delsing came up from the Blues and, in nine games, blasted American League pitching for a mighty healthy .350.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1942	Green Bay	Wis. State	OF	49	173	38	12	4	3	30	.249
1943	Lockport	Pony	OF	86	317	99	15	5	8	69	.312
1944-45 Milwaukee (In Military Service)											
1946	Milwaukee	A.A.	OF	40	157	50	5	2	0	20	.318
1946	Eau Claire	Northern	OF	65	252	95	11	11	7	61	.377
1947	Hollywood	Pacific	OF	153	572	181	24	12	5	53	.316
1948	Hollywood	Pacific	OF	122	463	154	30	5	6	56	.333
1949	Kansas City	A.A.	OF	151	545	173	24	5	7	77	.317
1949	New York	A.L.	OF	9	20	7	1	0	1	3	.350
Major League Totals				9	20	7	1	0	1	3	.350

## DAUNE PILLETTE



Back in 1923 when Duane Pillette was born, his father, Herman Pillette, passed out cigars in the clubhouse of the Detroit Tigers. The elder Pillette was a star hurler for the Bengals and later set some sort of record when he pitched for twenty-odd years in the Pacific Coast League. Duane, a graduate of Santa Clara, went from campus to Newark and in his first pro game got what he still names as his biggest thrill in the game when he topped Buffalo, 2 to 1. When Pillette joined the Yankees last Summer he was given his first major league start on the eve of his birthday and in the city of his birth—Detroit. But the Tigers ruined his party when they beat him, 2 to 1.

Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
1946	Newark	Int.	31	94	11	10	168	98	79	142	96	3.66
1947	Newark	Int.	18	63	4	3	69	45	37	25	48	8.29
1947	Portland	Pacific	9	57	4	2	51	28	21	34	22	3.31
1948	Portland	Pacific	38	89	14	11	184	88	84	83	115	4.00
1949	Newark	Int.	17	09	6	7	115	61	49	43	60	4.05
1949	New York	A.L.	12	37	2	4	43	20	18	9	19	4.38
Major League Totals			12	37	2	4	43	20	18	9	19	4.38

## JOE COLLINS



Joe Collins lists as the biggest thrill of his baseball career a home run he hit AGAINST the Yankees. Of course, that was accomplished while Joe was just on his way up to the parent club and the Yankees were stopping off at Amsterdam in 1942 on a trip West. A member of the farm system since '42, Joe has exhibited the extra-base power which is the trademark of a true Yankee. He hit 23 homers in 1947, 23 again in 1948 and 20 last year at Kansas City. He has played first base and the outfield and is one of the fastest runners on the club. This year he's playing with a new incentive. He preceded the Christmas mail with the announcement of Joe Jr.'s arrival last Winter.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1940	Butler	Penn St.	1B	99	381	122	16	5	9	69	.320
1941	Akron	Mid-Atl.	1B	116	459	114	27	10	4	52	.248
1942	Norfolk	Piedmont	1B	23	90	12	0	0	0	7	.133
1942	Amsterdam	Can-Am.	1B	73	270	92	18	5	6	48	.341
1943	Springfield	Eastern	1B	70	254	66	12	6	0	30	.260
1943-44-45 Military Service											
1946	Beaumont	Texas	1B	52	184	42	6	3	1	12	.225
1946	Newark	Int.	1B	67	243	66	10	3	6	31	.272
1947	Birmingham	South.	1B-OF	48	189	68	13	7	6	31	.360
1947	Newark	Int.	1B	98	364	99	10	4	17	53	.272
1948	Newark	Int.	1B-OF	139	512	140	25	6	23	76	.273
1948	New York	A.L.	1B	5	5	1	1	0	0	2	.200
1949	Kansas City	A.A.	1B	146	530	169	25	18	20	83	.319
1949	New York	A.L.	1B	7	10	1	0	0	0	4	.100
Major League Totals				12	15	2	1	0	0	6	.133

## BILLY MARTIN



Billy (The Kid) Martin was a Yankee "must" from the moment Casey Stengel took over as manager of the club. Casey, you see, had managed Martin at Oakland in 1948, admired his spunk and credited him with a great chunk of credit in Oakland's winning of the Pacific Coast League pennant. Martin, a modest, unassuming lad off the field, is as cocky as a fighting rooster once the umpire yells "Play Ball." He was signed by Oakland after he was graduated from Berkeley High on the recommendation of Oakland's trainer, Red Adams. In his second year—at Phoenix, Ariz.—Billy the Kid batted an amazing .392 and scouts have been following his every move since. He came to the Yankees in a deal last Winter which also included the purchase of Outfielder Jack Jensen.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1946	Idaho Falls	Pioneer	2B	32	114	29	7	0	0	12	.254
1947	Phoenix	Ariz.-Tex.	2B	130	586	230	48	12	9	174	.392
1948	Oakland	Pacific	2B	132	401	111	28	2	3	42	.277
1949	Oakland	Pacific	2B	172	623	178	27	3	12	92	.286



## JACKIE JENSEN



The list of star football players who have made good in major league baseball is not, as might be expected, a long one. But there have been enough of them to cause the Yankees to hope for a headline-studded future for Jack Jensen, All-American fullback and Rose Bowl star at California. Jensen, a pitcher during most of his college baseball career, helped pitch California to the N.C.A.A. championship over Yale in 1947. Later he turned to the outfield and it was as a slugger of promise that he was captured by the Oakland Club despite several lucrative offers by major league teams. The Yankees acquired him and Billy Martin, Oakland second baseman, in a big-money deal last Winter. At Oakland he had played—under Charley Dressen, former Yankee coach. Jensen was married to Zo Anne Olsen, National Diving Champion, shortly after his purchase by the Yankees.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1949	Oakland	Pacific	OF	125	467	122	21	7	9	77	.261

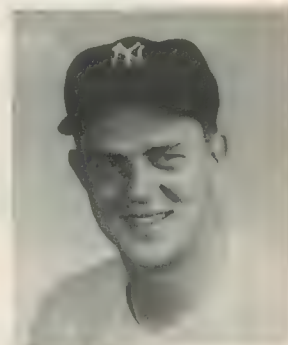
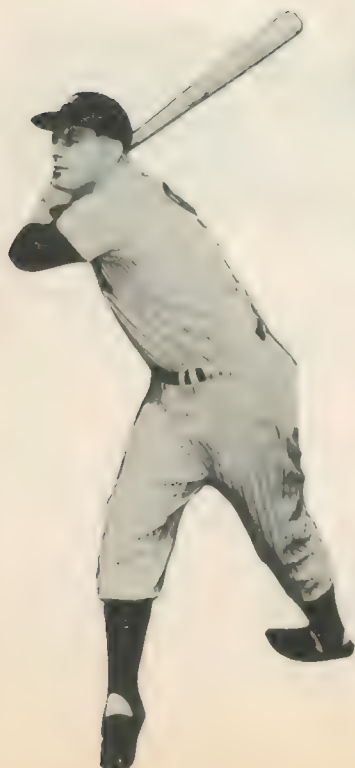
## PAUL HINRICHS



It took a healthy bonus from the Yankees to land Paul Hinrichs after he was declared a free agent by Commissioner A. B. Chandler late in 1948. Tom Greenwade beat scouts of a dozen clubs to the draw. Hinrichs, brought South with the Yankees in the Spring of '49, almost won a steady job for himself with his brilliant training camp pitching. Then, oddly, he was unable to win consistently at Kansas City. A groin injury, it developed later, hampered him throughout the campaign. Hinrichs, a fast-balling right-hander, was a Divinity student at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Alma Mater of Max Carey, Bill Wambsgans and Dick Siebert. Hinrichs hopes to enter the ministry some time in the future, following the lead of his dad, the Reverend Carl Hinrichs.

Year	Club	League	G	IP	W	L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
1946	Lubbock	West-Texas	19	124	10	6	91	46	38	146	56	2.75
1947	Dallas	Texas	5	12	1	1	10	7	5	5	15	3.75
1947	Lubbock	West-Texas	28	202	18	5	173	99	75	213	106	3.34
1948	Dallas	Texas	39	155	9	10	121	78	62	24	111	3.60
1949	Kansas City	A.A.	26	107	3	10	117	72	57	47	73	4.79

## DICK WAKEFIELD



Almost every team in baseball tried to sign Dick Wakefield when he was graduated from the University of Michigan but the Detroit Tigers topped all offers with a reported bonus of \$52,000. Son of a former Cleveland and Washington catcher, Dick was sent to Winston-Salem by the Bengals and later moved to Beaumont where he led the Texas League in doubles and total bases and was named the circuit's Most Valuable Player. In 1943 he not only tied the major league record of making 200 hits in his rookie season but also led the league in doubles and hits. He hit .355 in 1944 but was not able to match his pre-war record for the Tigers in 1946-'47-'48. He was obtained by the Yankees last Winter in a player-for-player deal for Dick Kryhoski.

Year	Club	League	Pos.	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BA
1941	Winston-Salem	Pied.	OF	55	203	61	16	7	4	28	.300
1941	Detroit	A.L.	PH-OF	7	7	1	0	0	0	0	.143
1942	Beaumont	Texas	OF	149	556	192	44	7	9	90	.345
1943	Detroit	A.L.	OF	155	633	200	38	8	7	79	.316
1944	Detroit	A.L.	OF	78	276	98	15	5	12	53	.355
1945	Detroit	(In Military Service)									
1946	Detroit	A.L.	OF	111	396	106	11	5	12	59	.268
1947	Detroit	A.L.	OF	112	368	104	15	5	8	51	.283
1948	Detroit	A.L.	OF	110	322	89	20	5	11	53	.276
1949	Detroit	A.L.	OF	59	126	26	3	1	6	19	.206

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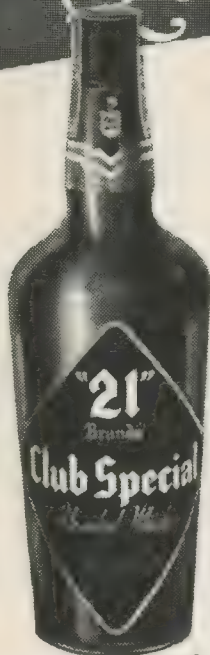


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										CLUB AND RECORD			
Pitchers	No.	Bats	Throws	Wgt.	Hgt.	Date of Birth		Home Address		1949 Club	Games	Won	Lost E.R.Av.
Byrne, Tommy	28	L	L	180	6.01	Dec.	31, 1919	Wake Forest, N.C.		Yankees	32	15	7 3.72
Carr, Richard	57	L	R	175	6.01	Jan.	6, 1931	Dundalk, Md.		Norfolk	28	10	13 4.13
Hinrichs, Paul	43	R	R	180	6.01	Aug.	31, 1925	Mallard, Iowa		Kansas City	26	3	10 4.79
Hood, Wally	39	R	R	195	6.02	Sept.	24, 1925	Los Angeles, Calif.		{ Newark	15	5	6 6.06
										{ Kansas City	11	3	2 3.27
										{ Yankees	2	0	0 0.00
Johnson, Don	26	R	R	200	6.03	Nov.	12, 1926	Portland, Ore.		Sacramento	42	8	14 3.95
Lopat, Ed	30	L	L	182	5.10	June	12, 1918	Little Rock, Ark.		Yankees	31	15	10 3.27
Marshall, Clarence	19	R	R	190	6.00	April	28, 1925	Bellingham, Wash.		Yankees	21	3	0 5.14
Page, Joe	11	L	L	192	6.02	Oct.	28, 1917	Springdale, Pa.		Yankees	60	13	8 2.60
Pillette, Duane	35	R	R	195	6.03	July	24, 1922	San Jose, Calif.		{ Newark	17	6	7 4.05
										{ Yankees	12	2	4 4.38
Porterfield, Bob	18	R	R	190	6.00	Aug.	10, 1924	Bluefield, Va.		{ Yankees	12	2	5 4.03
										{ Newark	5	1	0 5.67
Radeliffe, Hugh	46	R	R	190	6.02	Nov.	27, 1928	Thomaston, Ga.		Toronto	9	1	1 6.14
Raschi, Vic	17	R	R	190	6.02	March	28, 1919	Conesus, N.Y.		Yankees	38	21	10 3.34
Reynolds, Allie	22	R	R	190	6.00	Feb.	10, 1919	Oklahoma City, Okla.		Yankees	35	17	6 4.00
Sanford, Fred	21	L-R	R	200	6.00	Aug.	9, 1919	Salt Lake City, Utah		Yankees	29	7	3 3.88
Shea, Frank	20	R	R	197	6.01	Oct.	2, 1922	Naugatuck, Conn.		{ Yankees	20	1	1 5.37
										{ Newark	5	0	3 8.47
										G. H. T.B. R.B.I. Av.			
Catchers													
Berra, Lawrence	8	L	R	183	5.08	March	12, 1925	St. Louis, Mo.		Yankees	116	115	199 91 .277
Houk, Ralph	32	R	R	190	5.11	Aug.	9, 1920	Kansas City, Mo.		{ Kansas City	95	86	106 36 .275
										{ Yankees	5	4	4 1 .571
Niarhos, Gus	38	R	R	160	6.00	Dec.	6, 1921	Philadelphia, Pa.		Yankees	32	12	16 6 .279
Silvera, Charles	29	R	R	175	5.10	Oct.	13, 1924	San Francisco, Calif.		Yankees	58	41	43 13 .315
Infielders													
Brown, Robert	6	L	R	185	6.02	Oct.	25, 1924	San Francisco, Calif.		Yankees	104	97	137 61 .283
Coleman, Jerry	42	R	R	168	5.11	Sept.	14, 1924	San Francisco, Calif.		Yankees	128	123	160 42 .275
Collins, Joe	41	L	L	175	6.00	Dec.	3, 1922	Scranton, Pa.		{ Kansas City	146	169	290 83 .319
										{ Yankees	7	1	1 4 .100
Henrich, Tom	15	L	L	165	6.00	Feb.	20, 1916	Ridgewood, N.J.		Yankees	115	118	216 85 .287
Johnson, William	24	R	R	178	5.09	Aug.	30, 1918	Augusta, Ga.		Yankees	113	82	123 56 .249
Martin, Al	12	R	R	165	5.11	May	16, 1928	Berkeley, Calif.		Oakland	172	178	247 92 .286
Mize, John	36	L	R	205	6.02	Jan.	17, 1913	De Leon Springs, Fla.		{ Giants	106	102	171 62 .263
										{ Yankees	13	6	10 2 .261
Mole, Fenton	23	L	L	195	6.01	June	14, 1925	Oakland, Calif.		{ Newark	107	96	165 53 .269
										{ Yankees	10	5	9 2 .185
Rizzuto, Phil	10	R	R	152	5.06 1/2	Sept.	25, 1918	Hillside, N.J.		Yankees	153	169	220 64 .275
Stirnweiss, George	1	R	R	175	5.08	Oct.	26, 1919	Lincroft, N.J.		Yankees	70	41	53 11 .261
Outfielders													
Bauer, Hank	25	R	R	190	6.01	July	31, 1924	Kansas City, Mo.		Yankees	103	82	130 45 .272
Delsing, Jim	54	L	R	182	5.11	Nov.	13, 1925	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.		{ Kansas City	151	173	228 77 .317
										{ Yankees	9	7	11 3 .350
DiMaggio, Joe	5	R	R	195	6.01	Nov.	25, 1914	San Francisco, Calif.		Yankees	76	94	162 67 .346
Jensen, Jack	40	R	R	190	5.11	March	9, 1927	Oakland, Calif.		Oakland	125	122	184 77 .261
Lindell, John	27	R	R	202	6.04	Aug.	30, 1916	Duarte, Calif.		Yankees	78	51	79 27 .242
Mapes, Cliff	7	L	R	205	6.03	March	13, 1922	Bellflower, Calif.		Yankees	111	75	115 33 .247
Wakefield, Dick	9	L	R	192	6.04	May	6, 1921	Ann Arbor, Mich.		Detroit	59	26	49 19 .206
Woodling, Eugene	14	L	L	165	5.09	Aug.	16, 1922	Fairlawn, N.J.		Yankees	112	80	122 44 .270



## HIGHLIGHTS OF 1949

- March 1—Open Spring training under new manager, Casey Stengel.
- April 11—Joe DiMaggio leaves team in Texas to fly to Johns Hopkins Hospital for heel treatment.
- April 19—Club inaugurates 4-game winning streak on opening day.
- May 1—Go into new month with 2-game lead over Chisox, then running second.
- June 1—Despite mounting list of injuries, league lead (over Bosox) is hoisted to 4½ games.
- June 28—Joe DiMaggio, after missing 65 games, returns to action and leads Yankees to 3-game sweep over Boston at Fenway Park.
- July 4—A's trail Yankees by 4 games at this important date in schedule.
- July 15—Longest lead of season (6½ games over Cleveland) is enjoyed.
- Aug. 21—Yankees stage Connie Mack Day at Stadium after A's pilot is given official City welcome by Mayor O'Dwyer.
- Aug. 28—Tommy Henrich injures back and Johnny Mize, recent acquisition from Giants, injures shoulder in Chicago double-header.
- Sept. 1—Yankees turn into September with 2-game lead over Boston.
- Sept. 18 — DiMaggio, casualty No. 66, hospitalized by pneumonia just before vital series with Red Sox.
- Oct. 1—Joe DiMaggio Day sees fans pile gifts on Yankee Clipper and sees Yankees, trailing, 4 to 0, rally to win, 5 to 4, on Johnny Lindell's late-inning homer. This puts New York and Boston into final game of American League season all even.
- Oct. 2—Behind steady pitching of Vic Raschi, Yankees top Red Sox, 5 to 3, for club's sixteenth American League pennant.
- Oct. 5-9—Yankees beat Dodgers in World Series, 1-0, 0-1, 4-3, 6-4, 10-6 for twelfth World Championship won by Yankees.









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*Second row: Trainer Gus Mauch, Charley Keller, Gus Niarhos, Wally Hood, Gerry Coleman, Ralph Buxton, Joe Collins.*

*Top row: Larry Berra, Tommy Byrne, Cliff Mapes, Hugh Casey, Frank Shea, Charley Smith, and Joe DiMaggio.*

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# ES—1949—WORLD CHAMPIONS

Phil Rizzuto, Coach Jim Turner, Manager Casey Stengel, Coach Frank Crosetti, Coach Bill Stirnweiss. Batboys Bert Padelland Ralph Carrieri are front and center.

Gerry Coleman, Bobby Brown, Tommy Henrich, Johnny Mize, Hank Bauer, Fred Sanford, Joe Collins, Vic Raschi.

Charley Silvera, Fenton Mole, Clarence Marshall, Jim Delsing, Joe Page, Ralph Houk Joe DiMaggio.

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## OCTOBER REVIEW-1949

THE World Series of 1949 was a replica of the World Series of '47 as to length. The Yankees took the Dodgers on both occasions in five games. It was a packed-house series from beginning to end, attracting a total of 236,710 fans who paid well in excess of \$1,000,000 to enjoy the thrills of tight pitching and then robust hitting. And many more fans heard a short-wave broadcast of the game which echoed every base hit around the globe.

### Game 1

Decision in the opening game at Yankee Stadium arrived late but with dramatic suddenness. For eight innings this was a brilliant shutout pitching duel. Don Newcombe, the giant Negro rookie right-hander, held the Yankees to four hits. Allie Reynolds, who had pitched only four complete games all season, had an even more glamorous two-hitter at his command. The Dodgers went down in order in the ninth and the scribes in the press box went scurrying to their record books to discover when two pitchers had gone into overtime in a World Series game locked in a twin shutout. But they could have saved their energies. The game did not have long to go. Tommy Henrich was first to face Newcombe in the ninth. On Don's third pitch Tommy found one to his liking and rammed it into the right field stands. Ruthville that was once called; Henrichville it was now. And the Yankees had won, 1 to 0.

### Game 2

Where the crowd waited until the ninth for the winning run in the first game, they saw it early in the second. But they did not, of course, know they were seeing the decisive blow struck. Jackie Robinson doubled in the second inning and scored on a single by Gil Hodges. With that, Vic Raschi and Elwin (Preacher) Roe settled down to their duel. There was no more scoring. Roe, skinny southpaw, pitched the last five innings with a battered finger after stopping a liner off Johnny Lindell's bat, but Roe pitched those five innings with great effect. When it was all over he had a six-hit shutout. Only one Yankee had reached third and only three others had perched on second. Brooklyn won, 1 to 0, and although World Series history had recorded only eight 1-to-0 results before 1949, here were two such games on successive afternoons.

### Game 3

It was another close one as the scene shifted to Ebbets Field and the two clubs went into the ninth locked in a 1-to-1 score. But in the ninth the hitters, long subdued, finally took over. With the bases filled, Johnny Mize, a National League larruper of long standing who had to move over to the American League to get into his first World Series, blasted Ralph Branca for a two-run pinch hit off the right field wall and Jerry Coleman greeted Jack Banta with another single for the third Yankee run of the inning. That was a big one for the Dodgers, who had scored earlier on Pee Wee Reese's homer, came back for two runs on homers by Luis Olmo and Roy Campanella. But Fireman Joe Page sneaked a third strike by the idle bat of Bruce Edwards and that was that, 4 to 3, with Page being credited with the victory.

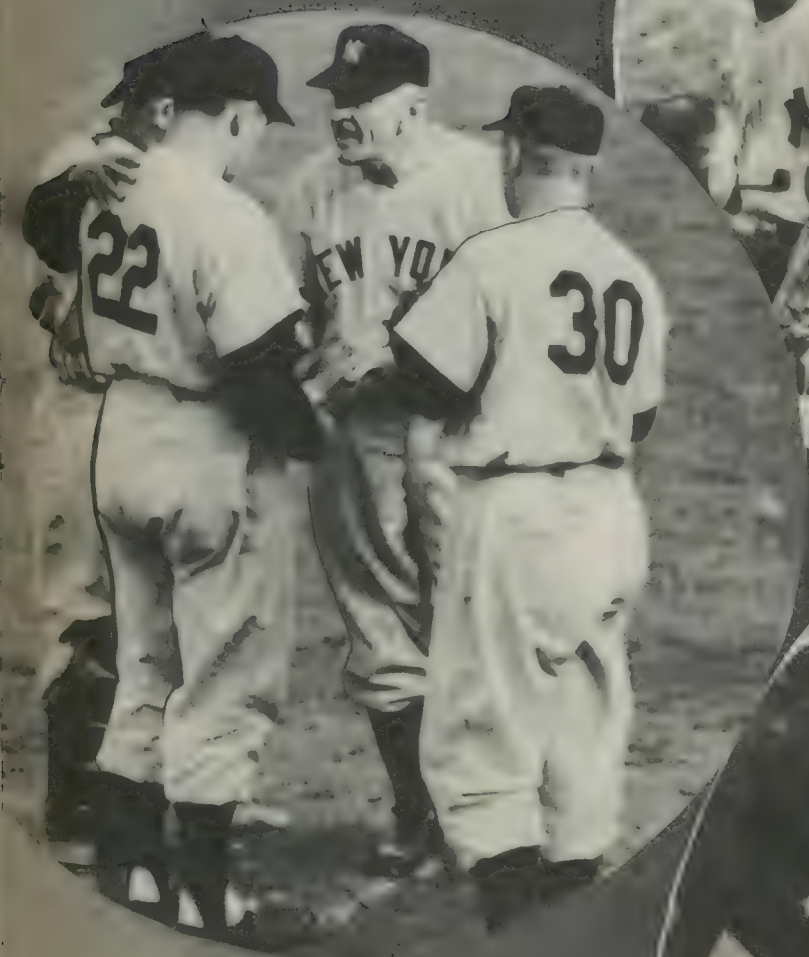
### Game 4

The hitters, who had found the range in Game No. 3, carried on the following afternoon. For a while this one looked like a rout as the Yankees piled up a 6-to-0 lead behind the tidy, if not gaudy, pitching of Ed Lopat. Bobby Brown was the hero. He hit one of three doubles (the others were by Cliff Mapes and winning pitcher Lopat) off Newcombe in the fourth and he cleared loaded bases with a triple in the fifth. Riding on a handsome lead, Lopat lost the touch in the sixth and ran into a record-tying mess of seven singles in one inning as the Dodgers picked up four runs and made it close. Casey Stengel hustled Reynolds to the mound, however, and his no-hit, no-run pitching over the last  $3\frac{1}{3}$  innings nailed down a 6-to-4 triumph for Lopat.

### Game 5

At one time during the final game the score was Yankees, 10; Dodgers, 1. It was closer at the finish but never much of a ball game. The Bronx Bombers bombed. Six Brooklyn hurlers twirled with no great effect. Gene Woodling hit two doubles and Coleman another. Brown added a triple to his three-ply poke of the fourth game. Even Brooklyn fans cheered lustily when Joe DiMaggio, playing the series despite the loss of considerable weight due to pneumonia, found the home run range in the late innings. Raschi started for the Yankees but tired during the seventh when Brooklyn scored four times. Whatever hopes may have been kindled by that late cluster of Flatbush tallies were soon snuffed out by that old Fire Chief, himself—Joe Page. Brooklyn went down, 10 to 6, and the series was in the record books.







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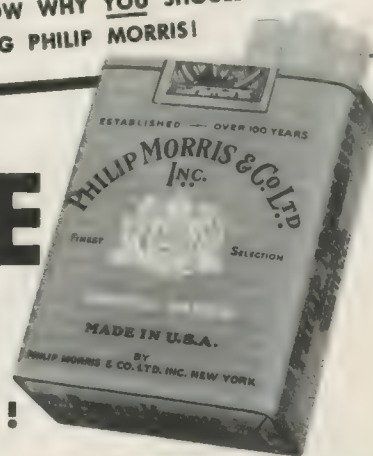


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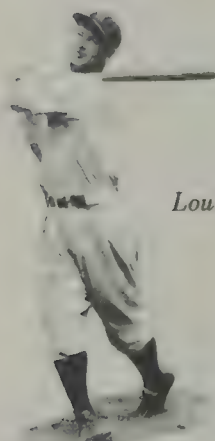
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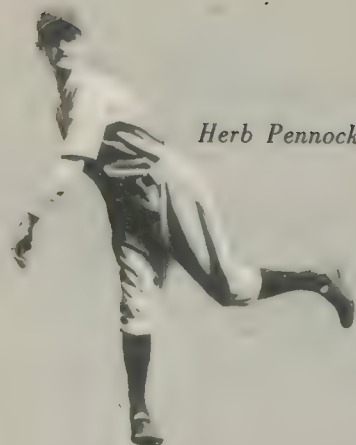
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In these pages are listed the outstanding performances in the Yankees' record collection.

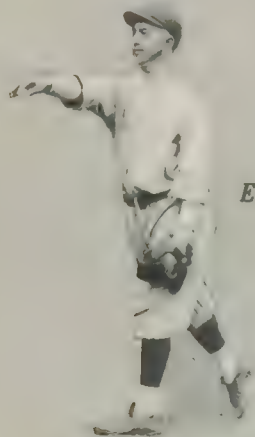
## MAJOR LEAGUE RECORDS

- Most years playing 150 or more games—  
12—Lou Gehrig (1926-1934, 1936-1938)
- Most years leading league in games played—  
7—Lou Gehrig (1927, '30, '32, '34, '36, '37, '38)
- Most consecutive games played—  
2,130—Lou Gehrig (June 1, 1925 until May 2, 1939)
- Most runs, season—  
177—Babe Ruth (1921)
- Most consecutive games, scoring runs—  
18—Red Rolfe (1939)
- Most years leading league, runs scored—  
8—Babe Ruth (1919, '20, '21, '23, '24, '26, '27, '28)
- Most years, 100 or more runs—  
13—Lou Gehrig (1926-1938, inclusive)
- Most runs batted in, lifetime—  
2,209—Babe Ruth
- Most years leading league, runs batted in—  
6—Babe Ruth (1919, '20, '21, '23, '26, '28)
- Most years 100 or more runs batted in—  
13—Babe Ruth (1920, '21, '23, '24, '26, '27, '28, '29, '30, '31, '32, '33)  
13—Lou Gehrig (1926, '27, '28, '29, '30, '31, '32, '33, '34, '35, '36, '37, '38)
- Most years 150 or more runs batted in—  
7—Lou Gehrig (1927, '30, '31, '32, '34, '36, '37)
- Making 200 hits in first full season—  
206—Joe DiMaggio (138 games in 1936)
- Most consecutive games batting safely—  
56—Joe DiMaggio (91 hits, including 16 doubles, 4 triples, 15 homers, May 15 to July 16, 1941)
- Six hits in six consecutive times at bat—  
Tied by Myril Hoag (June 6, 1934)
- Most years leading league in extra-base hits—  
7—Tied by Babe Ruth (1918, '19, '20, '21, '23, '24, '28)
- Most extra base hits, lifetime—  
1,356—Babe Ruth
- Most extra base hits, season—  
119—Babe Ruth (1921—44 doubles, 16 triples, 59 homers)
- Most times four extra base hits, game—  
5—Lou Gehrig
- Most years leading league in extra bases—  
9—Babe Ruth (1918, '19, '20, '21, '23, '24, '26, '28, '29)
- Most years 100 or more extra bases—  
14—Tied by Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig
- Most years 200 or more extra bases—  
4—Babe Ruth (1920, '21, '27, '28)
- Most extra bases, lifetime—  
2,920—Babe Ruth
- Most extra bases, season—  
253—Babe Ruth
- Most extra bases, game—  
12—Tied by Lou Gehrig (4 home runs June 3, 1932)
- Most extra bases, inning—  
6—Tied by Joe DiMaggio (2 home runs, 5th inning, June 24, 1936)
- Most total bases, season—  
457—Babe Ruth (1921)
- Most total bases, game—  
16—Tied by Lou Gehrig (June 3, 1932)
- Most total bases, inning—  
8—Tied by Joe DiMaggio (June 24, 1936)
- Most years 400 or more total bases—  
5—Lou Gehrig (1927, '30, '31, '34, '36)
- Highest slugging percentage, lifetime—  
.690—Babe Ruth
- Most years leading league in slugging percentage—  
13—Babe Ruth (1918-1924, 1926-1931)
- Highest slugging percentage, one season—  
.847—Babe Ruth (1920)
- Most 2-base hits, game—  
4—Tied by John Lindell (Aug. 17, 1944)
- Most home runs, lifetime—  
714—Babe Ruth
- Most years leading league home runs—  
12—Babe Ruth (1918-1921, 1923-1924, 1926-1931)
- Most years 50 or more home runs—  
4—Babe Ruth (1920, 1921, 1927, 1928)
- Most home runs, season—  
60—Babe Ruth (1927—28 at home, 32 on road)
- Most times 2 or more home runs, game—  
72—Babe Ruth





*Herb Pennock*



*Everett Scott*



*Bill Dickey*

- Most home runs, inning—  
2—Tied by Joe DiMaggio (June 24, 1936)
- Most home runs, 3 consecutive games—  
6—Tied by Tony Lazzeri (1936)
- Most home runs, game—  
4—Tied by Lou Gehrig (hit in 4 consecutive times at bat, June 3, 1932)
- Most home runs with bases filled, lifetime—  
23—Lou Gehrig
- Most home runs with bases filled, season—  
4—Tied by Lou Gehrig (1934)  
Tied by Tom Henrich (1948)
- Most home runs with bases filled, same game—  
2—Tied by Tony Lazzeri (May 24, 1936)
- Most bases on balls, lifetime—  
2,056—Babe Ruth
- Most years leading league, bases on balls—  
11—Babe Ruth (1920, '21, '23, '24, '26, '27, '28, '30, '31, '32, '33)
- Most years 100 or more bases on balls—  
13—Babe Ruth
- Most bases on balls, season—  
170—Babe Ruth (1923)
- Most strikeouts, lifetime—  
1,330—Babe Ruth
- Most chances accepted at first base, game—  
22—Tied by Hal Chase (1906)
- Most years leading league in fielding at shortstop—  
8—Everett Scott
- Highest fielding percentage at second base, season—  
9930—George Stirnweiss (1948)
- Most years catching 100 or more games—  
13—Bill Dickey (consecutively 1929-'41)
- Most assists, inning, catcher—  
3—Tied by Leslie Nunamaker (2nd inning, Aug. 3, 1914)  
Tied by Bill Dickey (6th inning, May 13, 1929)
- Most years pitching—  
22—Tied by Herb Pennock and Red Ruffing
- Most complete games pitched, season—  
48—Jack Chesbro, 1904
- Most games won, season—  
41—Jack Chesbro, 1904
- Most runs, one club, season—  
1,067—Yankees of 1931
- Most runs, one club, inning—  
14—Tied by Yankees (July 6, 1920)
- Most players 100 or more runs batted in, one club, one season—  
5—Dickey, DiMaggio, Gehrig, Lazzeri, Selkirk (1936)
- Most runs batted in, one club, season—  
995—Yankees of 1936
- Most hits, one club, game—  
30—Yankees (Sept. 28, 1923)
- Most total bases, one club, season—  
2,703—Yankees of 1936
- Most extra base hits, one club, season—  
580—Yankees of 1936 (315 doubles, 83 triples, 182 homers)
- Most years leading in home runs—  
28—Yankees of 1915-1917, 1919-1921, 1923-1931, 1933, 1936-1947
- Most years 100 or more home runs—  
26—Yankees (1920-1921, 1923, 1925-1943, 1946-1949)
- Most consecutive years 100 or more home runs—  
19—Yankees of 1925-1943
- Most home runs, one club, game—  
8—Yankees (June 28, 1939)
- Most consecutive games one or more home runs, one club—  
25—Yankees (June 1-29, 1941)
- Most bases on balls, one club, inning—  
11—Yankees (3rd inning, Sept. 11, 1949)
- Most double plays, one club, game—  
7—Yankees (August 14, 1942)
- Fewest times shut out, season—  
0—Tied by Yankees of 1932
- Most consecutive games without being shut out—  
308—Yankees (Aug. 2, 1931 to Aug. 3, 1933)
- Scoring in every inning, nine-inning game—  
Tied by Yankees (vs. St. Louis) July 26, 1939
- Most years winning 100 or more games, season, 1900 to date—  
8—Yankees of 1927, '28, '32, '36, '37, '39, '41, '42
- Most games won from one club, season—  
21—Tied by Yankees of 1927 (vs. St. Louis)
- Most doubleheaders won, consecutive days—  
5—Yankees (vs. Washington, Aug. 30, 31, Sept. 1; vs. Phila., Sept. 3; vs. Boston, Sept. 4, 1906)
- Most consecutive World Championships, club—  
4—Tied by Yankees of 1926, '37, '38, '39
- Most league championships (modern)—  
16—Yankees of 1921, '22, '23, '26, '27, '28, '32, '36, '37, '38, '39, '41, '42, '43, '47, '49

## AMERICAN LEAGUE RECORDS

All records above-listed are also American League records, of course. Among the outstanding performances which are American League records, only, are the following:

- Highest fielding average, season, outfielder—  
9968—Joe DiMaggio (1947)
- Most putouts, game, outfielder—  
11—Tied by Harry F. Rice
- Most times at bat, club, in 9-inning game—  
56—Yankees (June 28, 1939)
- Most total bases, one club, 9-inning game—  
53—Yankees (June 28, 1939—17 singles, 2 doubles, 8 home runs)
- Most runs batted in, season—  
184—Lou Gehrig (1931)
- Most times 3 or more home runs, game—  
4—Lou Gehrig
- Most home runs, one club, season—  
182—Yankees of 1936
- Most stolen bases, one club, game—  
15—Yankees (vs. St. Louis, Sept. 28, 1911)
- Highest percentage of games won—  
.714—Yankees of 1927 (110 won, 44 lost)
- Most runs batted in, game—  
25—Yankees (May 24, 1936)
- Highest team batting average for pennant winner—  
.307—Yankees of 1927
- Consecutive club victories—  
19—Tied by Yankees of 1947



Most games won, season—  
 110—Yankees of 1927  
 Most times winning two games, one day, season—  
 14—Tied by Yankees of 1943  
 Most consecutive series won, season—  
 13—Yankees of 1943

## WORLD SERIES RECORDS

The Yankees, who have taken part in more World Series than any other club in baseball, also have dominated the record-making in the October Classic. Some of the top records held by the Bronx Bombers follow:



Red Ruffing



Lefty Gomez



Bill Bevens

Most series played—  
 10—Babe Ruth (With Boston: 3,—1915, '16, '18; with New York: 7—1921, '22, '23, '26, '27, '28, '32)  
 Most times on winning club—  
 8—Bill Dickey  
 Most series batting .300 or better—  
 6—Babe Ruth (1921, '23, '26, '27, '28, '32)  
 Highest batting percentage, 4 or more games, one series—  
 625—Babe Ruth (4 game series of 1928)  
 Most games played with one club—  
 36—Bill Dickey  
 Most runs, total series—  
 37—Babe Ruth  
 Most runs, one series—  
 9—Babe Ruth (1928) and Lou Gehrig (1932)  
 Most runs, game—  
 4—Babe Ruth (Oct. 6, 1926)  
 Earle Combs, Oct. 2, 1932  
 Frank Crosetti (Oct. 2, 1936)  
 Most runs batted in, total series—  
 35—Lou Gehrig  
 Most runs batted in, one series—  
 9—Lou Gehrig (1928)  
 Most runs batted in, game—  
 5—Tony Lazzeri (Oct. 2, 1936)  
 Bill Dickey (Oct. 2, 1936)  
 Most runs batted in, inning—  
 4—Tied by Tony Lazzeri (Oct. 2, 1936)  
 Most triples, total series—  
 4—Tied by Bill Johnson  
 Most home runs, total series—  
 15—Babe Ruth  
 Most home runs, one series—  
 4—Babe Ruth (1926)  
 Lou Gehrig (1928)  
 Most home runs, game—  
 3—Babe Ruth (Oct. 6, 1926)  
 Babe Ruth (Oct. 9, 1928)  
 Home run with bases filled—  
 1—Tied by Tony Lazzeri (Oct. 2, 1936)  
 Most total bases, total series—  
 96—Babe Ruth  
 Most total bases, one series—  
 22—Babe Ruth (1928)  
 Most total bases, game—  
 12—Babe Ruth (Oct. 6, 1926 and Oct. 9, 1928)  
 Most extra-base hits, one series—  
 6—Babe Ruth (1928)  
 Most extra-base hits, total series—  
 22—Babe Ruth  
 Most bases on balls, one series—  
 11—Babe Ruth (1926)  
 Most bases on balls, total series—  
 33—Babe Ruth  
 Most assists, game, second baseman—  
 8—Tied by Joe Gordon (Oct. 5, 1943)  
 Pitching in most series—  
 7—Waite Hoyt (1921, '22, '23, '26, '27, '28; with Phila., '31)  
 Red Ruffing (1932, '36, '37, '38, '39, '41, '42)  
 Most victories, total series—  
 7—Red Ruffing  
 All victories, no defeats—  
 6—Lefty Gomez  
 Fewest earned runs, pitcher winning 2 or more games, series—  
 0—Waite Hoyt in 8-game series (1921)  
 Most consecutive innings, no hits, no runners reaching first, game—  
 7½—Tied by Herb Pennock (Oct. 7, 1927)  
 Most consecutive innings, no hits, game—  
 8½—Floyd Bevens (Oct. 3, 1947)  
 Most strikeouts, one pitcher, total series—  
 61—Red Ruffing  
 Retiring side on 3 pitched balls—  
 Tied by Ernie Bonham (7th inning, Oct. 6, 1941)  
 Most runs, one club, game—  
 18—Yankees (Oct. 2, 1936)  
 Largest winning margin, single game—  
 14—vs. Giants, 18 to 4 (Oct. 2, 1936)  
 Most runs batted in, one club, game—  
 18—Yankees (Oct. 2, 1936)  
 Most home runs, one club, one series—  
 9—4 game series of 1928  
 Most home runs, one club, game—  
 5—Yankees (Oct. 9, 1928)  
 Most total bases, one club, game—  
 32—Yankees (Oct. 6, 1928)  
 Yankees (Oct. 2, 1932)  
 Most bases on balls, one club, game—  
 10—Yankees (off St. Louis pitchers, Oct. 6, 1926)  
 Yankees (off Brooklyn pitchers, Oct. 4, 1947)  
 Fewest players used as pinch hitters, series—  
 0—Yankees of 1939  
 Home run by pinch hitter—  
 Larry Berra (Oct. 2, 1947)  
 4-game series sweeps—  
 5—Yankees of 1927, '28, '32, '38, '39  
 Most series played by one club—  
 16—Yankees of 1921, '22, '23, '26, '27, '28, '32, '36, '37, '38, '39, '41, '42, '43, '47, '49  
 Club winning most games—  
 55—Yankees in 16 series  
 Most consecutive games won, total series—  
 12—Yankees of 1927, '28, '32  
 Most World Championships won—  
 12—Yankees of 1923, '27, '28, '32, '36, '37, '38, '39, '41, '43, '47, '49  
 Manager, most series—  
 9—Tied by Joe McCarthy (one with Chicago Cubs)  
 Manager, winning most series—  
 7—Joe McCarthy



## WORLD SERIES TRIUMPHS

**1923**—First year of baseball in Yankee Stadium and for the third straight year the Giants vs. the Yankees in the October Classic. Casey Stengel's famous "staggering" homer won the first in the ninth. Herb Pennock took the second, 4 to 2. Two homers by Babe Ruth, one by Aaron Ward didn't hurt. It was another Stengel homer and 1-0 in the third but the Yankees evened it by winning the fourth behind Bob Shawkey and Pennock. Joe Bush flipped a three-hitter and won the fifth easily, 8 to 1, with Jumpin' Joe Dugan supplying a homer. The clincher was engineered when the Yankees put on a five-run storm in the eighth to come from far behind to a 6-4 triumph.

**1927**—The Great Yankee team which had won 110 games took the Pirates four in a row. Pittsburgh errors helped in the opener when the Yanks won, 5 to 4, although held to six hits. George Pipgras hurled well to win the second, 6 to 2, and Pennock flipped a neat 3-hitter for the third, 8 to 1. The fourth game was decided by the famous wild pitch by Johnny Miljus. The score was tied, 3 to 3, in the ninth. The bases were filled. Miljus earned the roar of the crowd when he fanned Gehrig and Meusel. Pitching to Tony Lazzeri, Miljus unleashed a pitch a yard wide of the plate and over the upstretched glove of Johnny Gooch. Earl Combs danced home from third. The series was over.

**1928**—Once again it was four in a row for the Yankees, this time over the St. Louis Cards. Hoyt's three-hitter nailed the first as Ruth, Gehrig and Meusel lived up to Murderer's Row tradition. Seven runs in the first three innings with Gehrig blasting a three-run homer as a getaway cleaned up the next one. Ol' Tom Zachary won the third as Gehrig socked two homers and, after a day off because of rain, the Yankees completed their successful defense of the world title as Ruth, for the second time in his World Series career, hit three homers in a single game.

**1932**—Back in the World Series once again and again four in a row—twelve straight Yankee Series triumphs. They made only eight hits in the '32 opener but made them count in a 12-6 victory. Gehrig's homer, scoring Ruth, in the fourth, was a decisive blow. Lefty Gomez won his first series start in the second. The third was a Home Run Derby. Gehrig and Ruth each hit two. Hartnett and Cuyler hit them for the Cubs but the Yankees won, 7 to 5. It was in this game Ruth pointed to the spot he would hit a homer—and did. Circuit smashes studded the final Yankee victory, too, as Lazzeri hit a pair, Combs one in a 13-6 win.







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**1936**—It was another nickel series between Giants and Yankees and the Yankees won in six games. Carl Hubbell beat the Yankees in the rain-swept opener, besting Red Ruffing, 6 to 1. But the Yankees rampaged in the second, 18 to 4, as Tony Lazzeri hit a grand slam homer in the 7-run third and the Yankees poured over six more in the ninth. The Yankees made only four hits off Freddie Fitzsimmons in the third game but won, 2 to 1. What was then a World Series record crowd of 66,669 saw the Yankees win behind Monte Pearson, 5 to 2, in the fourth with Gehrig hitting a homer. Some great pinch-hitting by Hal Schumacher saved the Giants from elimination in the fifth game as the Giants won in ten innings, 5 to 4, but the Yankees went on a 17-hit binge in the sixth and final game, scored seven runs in the ninth and won, 13 to 5.

**1937**—The Giants again. They led, 1 to 0, going into the sixth of the opener, but the Yankees came up with one of those big innings to which the Giants were becoming annoyingly familiar. Seven runs was the output this time and Gomez won with a six-hitter. Once again the Giants led, 1 to 0, in the second game—as late as the fifth—but the Yankees blasted Cliff Melton to cover and Ruffing, a star at bat as well as on the mound, won, 8 to 1. It was three straight as the Giants made only five hits against Monte Pearson and Johnny Murphy. Hubbell stopped the rout by beating Bump Hadley in the 4th game but Myril Hoag and Joe DiMaggio supported Gomez' fine pitching with damaging homers in the fifth game and the Yankees won, 4 to 2.

**1938**—The four-game sweep routine was revived at the expense of the Cubs. Ruffing outpitched Bill Lee in the opener, 3 to 1. Dizzy Dean was making a great try for his old heights in the second when homers by Frankie Crosetti and DiMaggio blasted his dreams. Joe Gordon hit a homer and drove in three runs as the Yankees leveled Clay Bryant in the third game and the Bombers finished with a flourish in the fourth game. Six Chicago pitchers failed to stem the attack and Ruffing won, coasting, 8 to 2.

**1939**—Marse Joe McCarran once again selected Ruffing to open in 1939 against Cincinnati and, after a keen duel with Paul Derringer, Red won, 2 to 1, on Charlie Keller's triple and Bill Dickey's single. Pearson, who had been troubled by a sore arm, pitched a World Series masterpiece in the second game—a two hit, 4-to-0 shutout. Keller hit two homers, DiMaggio and Dickey one each as the Yankees grabbed the third game. The Reds let the fourth slip out of their grasp as the

Yankees tied it up in the ninth with two runs and then scored three in the tenth, the last by DiMaggio as Lombardi, stunned by a collision with Keller at the plate, lay on his back with the ball a few feet away from him.

**1941**—The series of Mickey Owen's famous passed ball. The Yankees beat the Dodgers in the opener as Joe Gordon starred with a home run and the winning single in a 3-2 victory for Ruffing over Curt Davis. Whitlow Wyatt evened the game count via a 3-2 triumph in the second game. In the third, Marius Russo's line drive struck Freddy Fitzsimmon's left knee and sent the Brooklyn pitcher out of the game. Against his successor, Hugh Casey, the Yankees bunched four hits and won in the eighth, 2 to 1. Tommy Henrich swung at what seemed a last-out pitch in the fourth game but the pitch (by Casey) got past Owen and before the Dodgers could retire the Yankees, they had won the game on a 4-run riot, 7 to 4. Ernie Bonham pitched a four-hitter and won the finale, 3 to 1.

**1943**—Beaten by the Cards in five games in 1942, the Yankees reversed that standing in '43. Spud Chandler won the first game, 4 to 2, a two-run homer by Gordon being spotlighted. Mort Cooper, whose father had died during the night, won the second game, pitching a six-hitter, but the Yankees swept the next three games. A record crowd of 69,990 saw Bill Johnson break up the third game with a three-run triple. Russo came up with another good World Series game for the fourth, 2 to 1, and Chandler's shutout pitching, plus Bill Dickey's two-run homer off Cooper, rubbed out the Cards.

**1947**—Yankees poured it on for five runs in fifth of opener and routed Ralph Branca, 5-3. Fifteen-hit attack crushed Brooks in second, 10-3. Dodgers won third game, 9-8, and fourth, despite Bill Bevens's one-hitter, 3 to 2, evening series. Frank Shea batted and pitched Yankees to 2-1 victory for series edge but Dodgers won sixth, 8 to 6, as Al Gionfriddo made a circus catch of DiMaggio's bid for homer. Joe Page, in third relief job of series, stifled Dodgers' late threat as Yankees clinched series via 5-2 triumph.

**1949**—The Yankees vs. the Dodgers again. Once more a five-game series and a Yankee triumph. For fuller report see World Series of 1949 in review.

Recapitulation—The Yankees have been in 16 World Series. They have won 12 of them. In their twelve triumphs they have lost a total of 11 games while winning 48. Their over-all World Series won-and-lost record is 55 won, 28 lost, .651 average.





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*The game is on—and the fight is hot—as they look to the winning score.*

*But turning back to the far off years there's an echo beyond recall,*

*The remembered thunder of Babe's big ash with its lash at the speeding ball.*

*I can hear them cheer for the stars today as another season starts.*

*I can feel the sweep as their pulses leap—the beat of their eager hearts.*

*But I still look back to another day—the crash of a mauling mace*

*When the Big Bambino leaned on the pitch—and sauntered from base to base.*

*I can see him now as he came to bat—with the look of a ruling king.*

*I can feel the hush of the keyed-up mob, waiting upon his swing.*

*I can see the glint in his batting eye—the whip of his mighty hands—*

*I can hear the smash of the ball and ash—as the ball sailed into the stands.*

*O the years may come and the years may go—but back through the misty haze*

*I see the star of the clouters bring the glory of other days. And from the cheers of the vanished years, I hear from the busy lot*

*The remembered thunder of Babe's big ash, when Babe was the King of Swat.*

*This is the music I'll hear no more—the song of the crushing blow,*

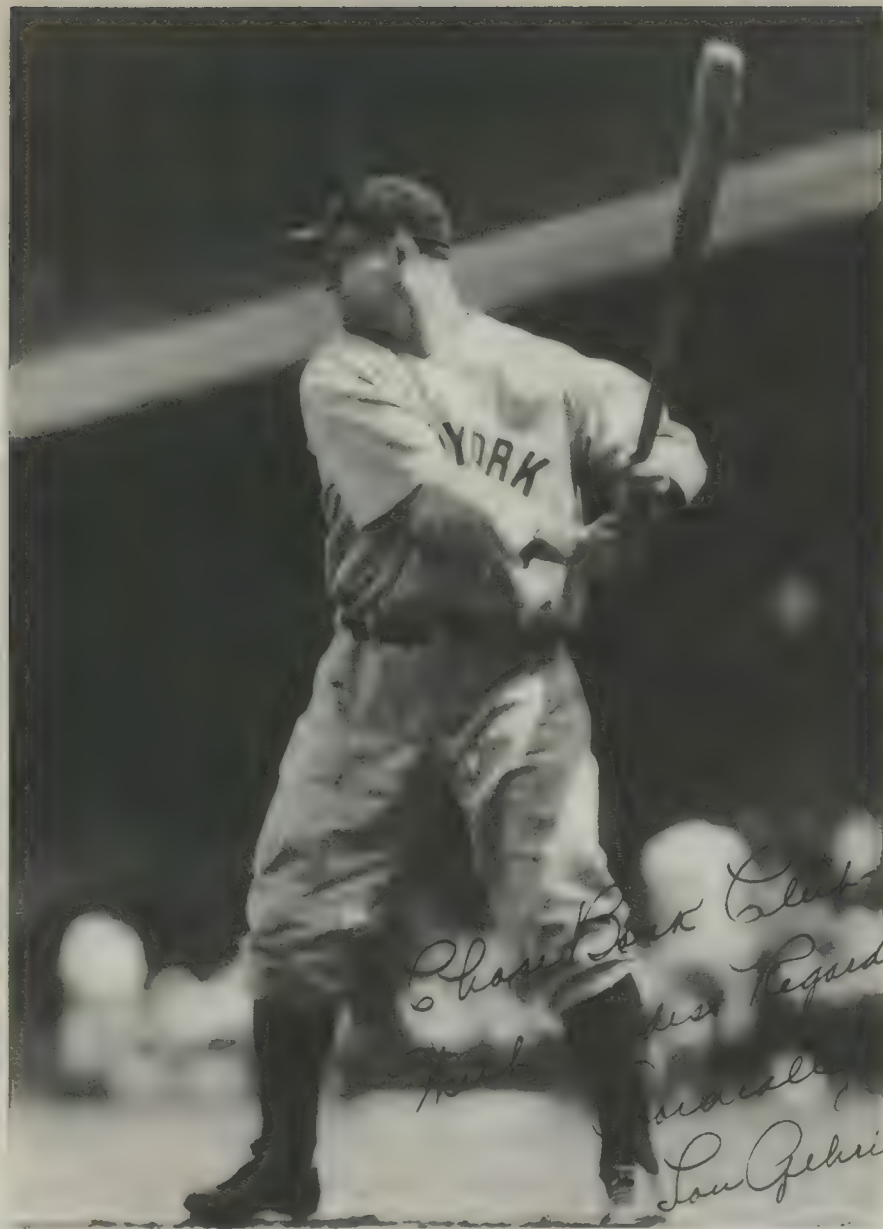
*The melody hooked to the winning score—from the long and the long ago.*

*But strangely enough on the summer air I turn to an ancient crash*

*When Babe was Babe—and Ruth was Ruth—the star of the mighty ash.*

*Granland Ruel*





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LOU GEHRIG not only was a great ball player, but the very pattern of his life became a symbol of courage and decency and kindness to millions who were not interested in baseball. He was not a dramatic figure in the sense that Babe Ruth was dramatic, yet his career was a sustained drama from his boyhood on the sidewalks and sandlots of New York to his tragic death at the age of 38.

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For boys, for baseball fans, for the young in spirit of any age, the story of Lou Gehrig must prove an unending source of inspiration.

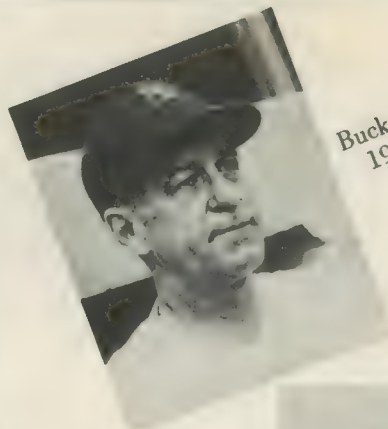
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# YANKEE MANAGERS and THEIR RECORDS



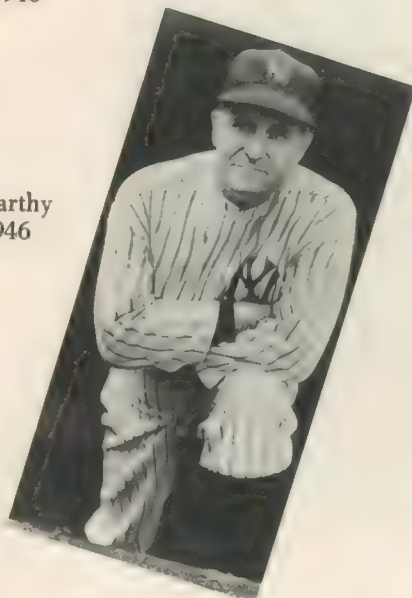
Casey Stengel  
1949.



Bucky Harris  
1947-1948



Bill Dickey  
1946



Joe McCarthy  
1931-1946

Year	Position	Won	Lost	Pct.	Manager
1903	Fourth	72	62	.537	Clark Griffith
1904	Second	92	59	.609	Clark Griffith
1905	Sixth	71	78	.477	Clark Griffith
1906	Second	90	61	.596	Clark Griffith
1907	Fifth	70	78	.473	Clark Griffith
1908	Eighth	51	103	.331	Griffith-N. Elberfeld
1909	Fifth	74	77	.490	George T. Stallings
1910	Second	88	63	.583	Stallings-Hal Chase
1911	Sixth	76	76	.500	Hal Chase
1912	Eighth	50	102	.329	Harry Wolverton
1913	Seventh	57	94	.377	Frank Chance
1914	*Sixth	70	84	.455	Chance-R. Peckinpaugh
1915	Fifth	69	83	.454	William E. Donovan
1916	Fourth	80	74	.519	William E. Donovan
1917	Sixth	71	82	.464	William E. Donovan
1918	Fourth	60	63	.488	Miller J. Huggins
1919	Third	80	59	.576	Miller J. Huggins
1920	Third	95	59	.617	Miller J. Huggins
1921	First	98	55	.641	Miller J. Huggins
1922	First	94	60	.610	Miller J. Huggins
1923	First	98	54	.645	Miller J. Huggins
1924	Second	89	63	.586	Miller J. Huggins
1925	Seventh	69	85	.448	Miller J. Huggins
1926	First	91	63	.591	Miller J. Huggins
1927	First	110	44	.714	Miller J. Huggins
1928	First	101	53	.656	Miller J. Huggins
1929	Second	88	66	.571	Miller J. Huggins
1930	Third	86	68	.558	Robert Shawkey



Bob Shawkey  
1930



Miller Huggins  
1918-1929



Bill Donovan  
1915-1917





Clark Griffith  
1903-1908



Kid Elberfeld  
1908



George Stallings  
1909-1910



Hal Chase  
1910-1911

1931	Second	94	59	.614	Jos. V. McCarthy
1932	First	107	47	.695	Jos. V. McCarthy
1933	Second	91	59	.607	Jos. V. McCarthy
1934	Second	94	60	.610	Jos. V. McCarthy
1935	Second	89	60	.597	Jos. V. McCarthy
1936	First	102	51	.667	Jos. V. McCarthy
1937	First	102	52	.662	Jos. V. McCarthy
1938	First	99	53	.651	Jos. V. McCarthy
1939	First	106	45	.702	Jos. V. McCarthy
1940	Third	88	66	.571	Jos. V. McCarthy
1941	First	101	53	.656	Jos. V. McCarthy
1942	First	103	51	.669	Jos. V. McCarthy
1943	First	98	56	.636	Jos. V. McCarthy
1944	Third	83	71	.539	Jos. V. McCarthy
1945	Fourth	81	71	.533	Jos. V. McCarthy
1946	Third	87	67	.565	McCarthy-W. Dickey
1947	First	97	57	.630	Stanley Harris
1948	Third	94	60	.610	Stanley Harris
1949	First	97	57	.630	Charles D. Stengel
Totals		4053	3063	.570	

\*Tied with Chicago for sixth place.

Finished First—16; Second—9; Third—7; Fourth—4; Fifth—3; Sixth—4;  
Seventh—2; Eighth—2.  
Highest Percentage—.714 in 1927; lowest—.329 in 1912.



Frank Chance  
1913-1914



Roger Peckinpaugh  
1914

Harry Wolverton  
1912







Earl Combs



Bob Meusel



Ben Chapman

# Yankees'

Year	Home Runs	Stolen Bases	Runs Batted In	Percentage (100 or more games)
1949	Henrich 24	Rizzuto 18	Berra 91	Henrich .287
1948	DiMaggio 39*	Rizzuto 6	DiMaggio 155*	DiMaggio .320
1947	DiMaggio 20	Rizzuto 11	Henrich 98	DiMaggio .315
1946	Keller 30	Stirnweiss 18	Keller 101	Robinson .297
1945	Etten 18	Stirnweiss 33*	Etten 111*	Stirnweiss .309*
1944	Etten 22*	Stirnweiss 55*	Lindell 103	Stirnweiss .319
1943	Keller 31	Stirnweiss 11	Etten 107	Johnson .280
1942	Keller 26	Rizzuto 22	DiMaggio 114	Gordon .322
1941	Keller 33	Rizzuto 14	DiMaggio 125*	DiMaggio .357
1940	DiMaggio 31	Gordon 18	DiMaggio 133	DiMaggio .352*
1939	DiMaggio 30	Selkirk 12	DiMaggio 126	DiMaggio .381*
1938	DiMaggio 32	Crosetti 27*	DiMaggio 140	DiMaggio .324
1937	DiMaggio 46*	Crosetti 13	DiMaggio 167	Gehrig .351
1936	Gehrig 49*	Crosetti 18	Gehrig 152	Dickey .362
1935	Gehrig 30	Chapman 17	Gehrig 119	Gehrig .329
1934	Gehrig 49*	Chapman 26	Gehrig 165*	Gehrig .363*
1933	Ruth 34	Chapman 27*	Gehrig 139	Gehrig .334
1932	Ruth 41	Chapman 38*	Gehrig 151	Gehrig .349
1931	Gehrig & Ruth 46*	Chapman 61*	Gehrig 184*	Ruth .373
1930	Ruth 49*	Combs 16	Gehrig 174*	Gehrig .379
1929	Ruth 46*	Combs 11	Ruth 154	Lazzeri .354
1928	Ruth 54*	Lazzeri 15	Ruth 142*	Gehrig .374
1927	Ruth 60*	Combs 15	Gehrig 175*	Gehrig .373
1926	Ruth 47*	Lazzeri & Meusel 16	Ruth 155*	Ruth .372
1925	Meusel 33*	Combs 12	Meusel 138*	Combs .343
1924	Ruth 46*	Meusel 26	Ruth 121	Ruth .378*
1923	Ruth 41*	Ruth 17	Ruth 130*	Ruth .393
1922	Ruth 35	Meusel 13	Ruth 96	Pipp .329
1921	Ruth 59*	Ruth, Pipp & Meusel 17	Ruth 170*	Ruth .378
1920	Ruth 54*	Ruth 14	Ruth 137*	Ruth .376

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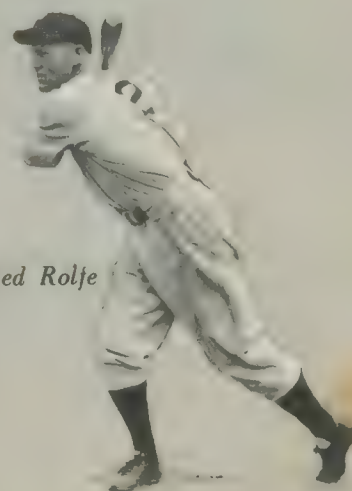
*Charlie Keller*

Year	Runs	Hits	Total Bases	Doubles	Triples
1949	Rizzuto 110	Rizzuto 169	Rizzuto 220	Rizzuto 22	Rizzuto & Woodling 7
1948	Henrich 138*	DiMaggio 190	DiMaggio 355*	Henrich 42	Henrich 14*
1947	Henrich 109	DiMaggio 168	DiMaggio 279	Henrich 35	Henrich 13*
1946	Keller 98	Keller 148	Keller 287	Keller 29	Keller 10
1945	Stirnweiss 107*	Stirnsw. 195*	Stirnsw. 301*	Stirnweiss 32	Stirnweiss 22*
1944	Stirnweiss 125*	Stirnsw. 205*	Lindell 297*	Stirnweiss 35	Stirnsw. & Lindell 16*
1943	Keller 97	Johnson 166*	Keller 269	Etten 35	Lindell 12*
1942	DiMaggio 123	DiMaggio 186	DiMaggio 304	Henrich 30	DiMaggio 13
1941	DiMaggio 122	DiMaggio 193	DiMaggio 348*	DiMaggio 43*	DiMaggio 11
1940	Gordon 112	DiMaggio 179	DiMaggio 318	Gordon 32	Keller 15
1939	Rolfe 139*	Rolfe 213*	Rolfe 321	Rolfe 46*	Rolfe 10
1938	Rolfe 132	Rolfe 196	DiMaggio 348	Rolfe 36*	DiMaggio 13
1937	DiMaggio 151*	DiMaggio 215	DiMaggio 418*	Gehrig 37	DiMaggio 15
1936	Gehrig 167*	DiMaggio 206	Gehrig 403	DiMaggio 44	Rolfe & DiMaggio 15*
1935	Gehrig 125*	Rolfe 192	Gehrig 312	Chapman 38	Selkirk 12
1934	Gehrig 128	Gehrig 210	Gehrig 409*	Gehrig 40	Chapman 13*
1933	Gehrig 138*	Gehrig 198	Gehrig 359	Gehrig 41	Combs 16
1932	Gehrig 138	Gehrig 208	Gehrig 370	Gehrig 42	Lazzeri 16
1931	Gehrig 163*	Gehrig 211*	Gehrig 410*	Gehrig, Combs & Ruth 31	Gehrig 15
1930	Ruth 150	Gehrig 220	Gehrig 419*	Gehrig 42	Combs 22*
1929	Gehrig 127	Combs 202	Ruth 348	Lazzeri 37	Combs 15
1928	Ruth 163*	Gehrig 210	Ruth 380*	Gehrig 47*	Gehrig 13
1927	Ruth 156*	Combs 231*	Gehrig 447*	Gehrig 52*	Combs 23*
1926	Ruth 139*	Ruth 184	Ruth 365*	Gehrig 47	Gehrig 20*
1925	Combs 117	Combs 203	Meusel 338	Combs 36	Combs 13
1924	Ruth 143*	Ruth 200	Ruth 391*	Meusel 40	Pipp 19*
1923	Ruth 151*	Ruth 205	Ruth 399*	Ruth 45	Ruth 13
1922	Witt 98	Pipp 190	Ruth 273	Pipp 32	Meusel 11
1921	Ruth 177*	Ruth 204	Ruth 457*	Ruth 44	Ruth & Meusel 16
1920	Ruth 158*	Ruth 172	Ruth 388	Meusel 40	Ruth 9

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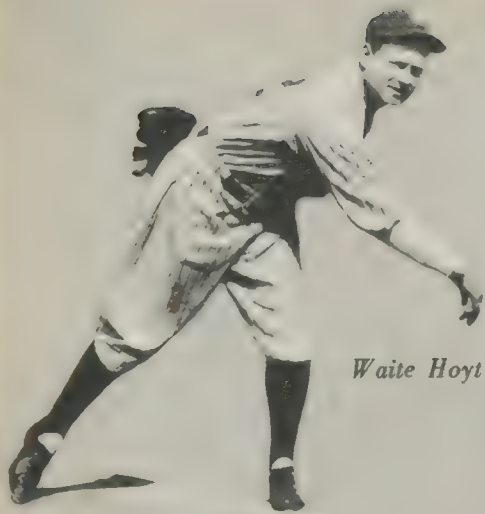


*George Selkirk*



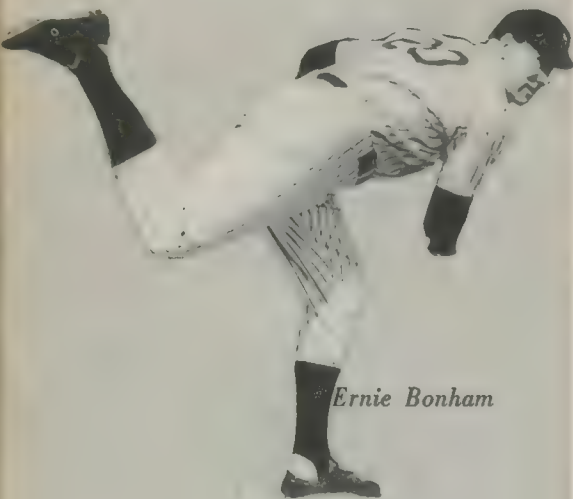
*Red Rolfe*





Waite Hoyt

# Yankees'



Ernie Bonham



Carl Mays

Year	Games Pitched	Games Won	Games Lost	Percentage	Innings Pitched
1949	Page 60*	Raschi 21	Lopat & Raschi 10	Byrne .682	Raschi
1948	Page 55*	Raschi 19	Lopat 11	Raschi .704	Reynolds 236
1947	Page 56	Reynolds 19	Bevens 13	Shea .737*	Reynolds 242
1946	Chandler 34	Chandler 20	Bevens 13	Gumpert .786	Chandler 257
1945	Turner 30	Bevens 13	Zuber & Bonham 11	Ruffing .700	Bevens 184
1944	Borowy 35	Borowy 17	Dubiel 13	Queen .667	Borowy 253
1943	Murphy 37	Chandler 20*	Wensloff 11	Chandler .833*	Chandler 253
1942	Murphy 31	Bonham 21	Murphy 10	Bonham .808	Bonham 226
1941	Murphy 35	Ruffing & Gomez 15	Russo 10	Branch .833	Russo 210
1940	Murphy 35	Ruffing 15	Ruffing 12	Bonham .750	Ruffing 226
1939	Murphy 38	Ruffing 21	Gomez 8	Sundra .917*	Ruffing 233
1938	Gomez & Murphy 32	Ruffing 21*	Gomez 12	Murphy .800	Ruffing 247
1937	Murphy 39	Gomez 21*	Gomez 11	Murphy .765	Gomez 278
1936	Ruffing 33	Ruffing 20	Ruffing 12	Hadley .778	Ruffing 271
1935	Murphy 40	Ruffing 16	Gomez 15	DeShong .800*	Gomez 246
1934	Murphy 40	Gomez 26*	Ruffing 11	Gomez .839	Gomez 282*
1933	Ruffing & Gomez 35	Gomez 16	Ruffing 14	Brennan .833	Ruffing & Gomez 235
1932	Gomez 37	Gomez 24	MacFayden 15	Allen .810*	Gomez 265
1931	Gomez 40	Gomez 21	Ruffing 14	Gomez .700	Gomez 243
1930	H. Johnson & Pipgras 44	Ruffing & Pipgras 15	Pipgras 15	Wells .800	Ruffing 222
1929	Moore 41	Pipgras 18	Pipgras 12	Zachary 1.000*	Pipgras 225
1928	Pipgras 46	Pipgras 24*	Pipgras 13	Covaleskie .833*	Pipgras 301
1927	Moore 50	Hoyt 22*	Pennock 8	Pipgras .769	Hoyt 256
1926	Shocker 41	Pennock 23	Hoyt 12	Braxton .833	Pennock 266
1925	Pennock 47	Pennock 16	Jones 21*	Shocker .500	Pennock 277*
1924	Hoyt 46	Pennock 21	Bush 16	Pennock .700	Pennock 286
1923	Jones 39	Jones 21	Bush 15	Pennock .760*	Bush 276
1922	Jones 45	Bush 26	Mays 14	Bush .788*	Shawkey 300
1921	Mays 49*	Mays 27*	Hoyt 13	Mays .750*	Mays 337*
1920	Mays 45	Mays 26	Shawkey 13	Mays .703	Mays 312

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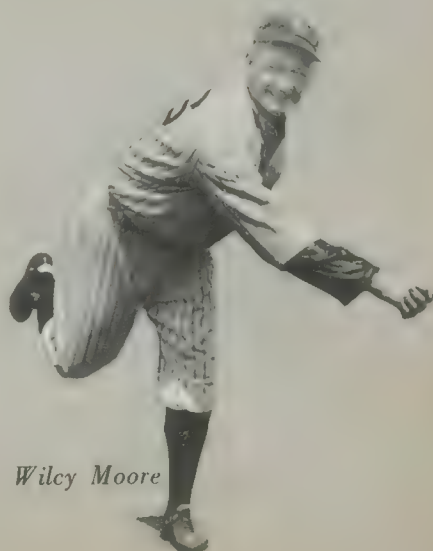
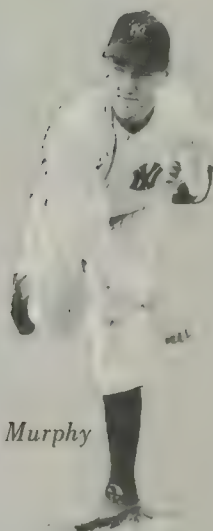
Year	Base-on-Balls	Strikeouts	E.R.A.	Shutouts	Complete Games
1949	Byrne 179*	Byrne 129	Page 2.60	Lopat 4	Raschi 21
1948	Reynolds 111	Raschi 124	Lopat 3.65	Raschi 6	Raschi 18
1947	Reynolds 123	Reynolds 129	Chandler 2.46*	Reynolds 4	Reynolds 17
1946	Chandler 90	Chandler 138	Chandler 2.10	Chandler 6	Chandler 20
1945	Bevens 68	Bevens 76	Holcombe 1.80*	Bevens & Donald 2	Bevens 14
1944	Borowy 88	Borowy 107	Borowy 2.63	Dubiel & Borowy 3	Dubiel 19
1943	Zuber 74	Chandler 134	Chandler 1.64*	Chandler 5*	Chandler 20*
1942	Chandler 74	Borowy 85	Bonham 2.27	Bonham 6*	Bonham 22*
1941	Gomez 103	Russo 105	Murphy 1.99	Chandler 4	Russo 17
1940	Ruffing 76	Ruffing 97	Bonham 1.91*	Bonham & Ruffing 3	Ruffing 20
1939	Hadley 85	Gomez 102	Russo 2.41*	Ruffing 4	Ruffing 22
1938	Pearson 113	Gomez 129	Andrews 3.00*	Gomez & Ruffing 3	Ruffing 22
1937	Gomez 93	Gomez 194*	Gomez 2.33*	Gomez 6*	Gomez 25
1936	Pearson 135	Pearson 118	Murphy 3.38	Ruffing 3	Ruffing 25
1935	Hadley 102	Gomez 138	Ruffing 3.12	Tamulis 3	Ruffing 19
1934	Ruffing 104	Gomez 158*	Gomez 2.33*	Gomez 6*	Gomez 25*
1933	Gomez 106	Gomez 163*	Pearson 2.33*	Gomez 4*	Ruffing 18
1932	Ruffing 115	Ruffing 190	Ruffing 3.10	Ruffing & Allen 3	Ruffing 22
1931	H. Johnson 102	Gomez 150	Gomez 2.63	Several 1	Ruffing 19
1930	H. Johnson 104	Ruffing 131	Pipgras 4.11	Pipgras 3	Pipgras 15
1929	Pipgras 95	Pipgras 125	Zachary 2.47*	Pipgras & Wells 3	Pipgras 13
1928	H. Johnson 104*	Pipgras 139	Pennock 2.56	Pennock 5*	Pipgras 22
1927	Pipgras 77	Hoyt 86	Moore 2.28*	Hoyt & Reuther 3	Hoyt 22
1926	Reuther 84	Hoyt 79	Braxton 2.69	Several 1	Pennock & Shocker 29
1925	Jones 104	Jones 92	Pennock 2.85*	—	Pennock 21
1924	Bush 109*	Shawkey 114	Pennock 2.83	—	Pennock 25
1923	Bush 117	Shawkey & Bush 125	Hoyt 3.01	—	Bush 23
1922	Shawkey 98	Shawkey 130	Shawkey 2.91	—	Jones & Mays 21
1921	Shawkey 86	Shawkey 126	Piercy 2.86	—	Mays 31
1920	Shawkey 85	Shawkey 126	Shawkey 2.46	—	Mays 26

\* League Leaders.

Spud Chandler



Johnny Murphy



Wilcy Moore



# history of the *Yankees*




Yankee history was not always a stream of pennants and world championships. There were days in the early years of the century when the Yankees struggled in the second division, fought for existence and presented a turbulent behind-the-scenes front office picture which prophesied anything but the story of success which has been the Yankees' lot ever since the turn into sport's Roaring Twenties.

The Yankees—or Highlanders, as they were first known—came into New York at the height of a baseball war. The American League, which had been an outgrowth of the old Western League, had clubs in Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Washington, St. Louis and Baltimore, but Ban Johnson, a former baseball writer from Cincinnati who had founded the American League, knew that, if the young circuit was to be a successful venture, there must be a team in New York.

And so in January of 1903 the Baltimore franchise was sold to Frank Farrell and Bill Devery for \$18,000 and transferred to New York. Thus, for little more than the waiver price on a ball player today, the most fabulous empire in baseball history was begun. Clark Griffith was installed as manager of the Highlanders and they played their games at Hilltop Park running from 165th Street to 168th Street and Broadway, current site of Medical Center.

Griffith, a pitcher in his playing days, managed the Yankees for five years, finishing second twice. He had such celebrated baseball names as Wee Willie Keeler, Dave Fultz, Jack Chesbro and Herman Long on his clubs. Hal Chase joined the Highlanders in 1905 and his graceful play at first base brought many fans over from the National League. But by 1908 the co-owners of the club were battling in the front office and, as the team skidded, so did the gate receipts. Frank Graham, in his book, "The Yankees," reports that Mark Roth, then with the *Globe* and later to become road secretary, wise-cracked: "If the gate gets any smaller, they'll have to put fractions on the turnstiles."

*Top: Wee Willie Keeler, better known as "Hit 'em Where They Ain't." Bottom: Jack Chesbro, early Yankee Iron Man.*





*A winning pair—Huggins and Ruppert.*



*Col. T. L. Huston and Bill Donovan.*

Kid Elberfeld.

By mid-season of 1908, Griffith was succeeded by Kid Elberfeld. George Stallings, who was later to lead the Boston Braves to a miraculous victory in 1914, was manager in 1909 but replaced a year later by Chase. Harry Wolverton had the club for 1912, finished eighth, and passed the club over to Frank Chance. Chance was replaced during the 1914 campaign by Roger Peckinpaugh. From 1909 through 1914, the club finished in the first division only once. And matters in the front office were not improving.

A new era dawned for the Yankees in 1915. Colonel Jacob Ruppert and Colonel Tillinghast L'Hommedieu Huston, friends of John McGraw and brought together by the old Giants' leader, despaired of purchasing the Giants and, on McGraw's advice, arranged, instead, to

become owners of the Yankees. Farrell and Devery, still quarreling bitterly, sold the club to them for \$460,000. Bill Donovan, one-time pitching great with Detroit, was installed as manager. Harry Sparrow was named business manager and Roth and Charlie McManus, the latter still associated with the club, were named road secretaries.

New players refurbished the Yankee roster—Wally Pipp, Fritz Maisel, Birdie Cree, Ray Fisher, Home Run Baker, Frank Gilhooley, Urban Shocker, Bob Shawkey. For all the club's activity in acquiring new players, the club was not a consistent winner and fared poorly in attempting to match the popularity of the Giants with whom they had shared the Polo Grounds since 1913. After three years in the second

*First Yankee World Champions—1923.*







*A new era dawns as this trio moves into action—Ruppert, Huggins and Barrow.*



*King of Swat!*  
60 Homers in 1927

division, a managerial change was proposed. It was not an easy decision to make, for Donovan was loved by the fans.

There was, too, a difference of opinion as to the man to replace him. Colonel Ruppert favored Miller Huggins, who had managed St. Louis. Colonel Huston wanted Wilbert Robinson, then manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers. Huggins was named manager in 1918 and finished fourth in an abbreviated campaign. His Yankees were never to finish that low again until 1925 when they finished seventh, their only time out of the first division since Huggins took over as manager of the club.

Huggins was to remain manager of the Yankees until his death during the season of 1929. He was to witness the arrival in New York of Babe Ruth, acquired from the Boston Red Sox for \$100,000 (plus a \$350,000 loan to the Boston owner). He was to see Ed Barrow installed as business manager of the Yankees and, with him to mold a team which was to bring everlasting fame to Yankee Stadium.

With Ruth, Hoyt, Schang, Meusel, Ward, Scott, Pipp, Shawkey, Baker and Mays forming the backbone of the club, the Yankees won their first pennant in 1921. They lost the World Series to the Giants. The story was repeated in 1922 but in 1923 the Yankees' true domination of the baseball world began. Starting with the '23 World Series, in which they beat the Giants despite two game-winning homers by Casey



*GREATEST YANKEE TEAM?  
1927 Club won 110 games and World Championship.*



*Beats Cards in four straight—1928*



The Yankees won the American League pennant in 1923 by seventeen games. They added Earle Combs and Lou Gehrig in 1924 but injuries to some of their key players caused them to falter. They lost a stretch-run duel with the Washington Senators in '24 and the next year dropped all the way to seventh place. It was obvious the Yankees, great as they were in 1921, '22 and '23, must be rebuilt.

And the rebuilding process went on quietly. Gehrig was improving each season after he had been inserted into the line-up in '24. Mark Koenig was a happy addition at short. Tony Lazzeri, a hard-hitting Italian from San Francisco, joined the club in '26. Herb Pennock was moving toward his pitching peak. The outfield of Meusel, Combs and Ruth was the best in baseball. And so the club got back into winning stride in '26—all-conquering until the World Series when the Cardinals, led by player-manager Rogers Hornsby, beat them.



*Spring Training in '29—  
Ruth, Huggins, Gehrig.*

There are many who consider the Yankees of 1927 the greatest of all Yankee teams—indeed, the greatest of all ball clubs. Perhaps so. That was the year Ruth hit sixty homers for a record which still stands. Ruth, Gehrig, Meusel and Lazzeri were Murderers Row. Hoyt, Pennock, Shocker, Pipgras and an amazing relief pitcher, Wilcy Moore, excelled on the mound. The team won 110 games against 44 defeats and they swept the Pirates out of the World Series in four games. They won 101 games in 1928 and took the Cards without a defeat in October. That was when the cry of "Break Up the Yankees" was begun.

At the very height of their dominance the Yankees faltered. Hoyt and Pennock did not have good years in '29 and Connie Mack's A's came on to start a three-year rule of the American League. But the year 1929 was to be saddened by an even more tragic blow than the loss of a pennant. In September Miller Huggins died.

Art Fletcher, one of Hug's coaches, could have had the job as Yankee pilot. He refused it. Bob Shawkey, veteran pitcher, managed the club in 1930. The Yankees finished third. In 1931 Joe McCarthy, who had led the Chicago Cubs to a championship in 1929, became manager of the Yankees and inaugurated the most successful managerial career in all baseball. He did not win in '31 but in '32, with Red Ruffing and Lefty Gomez setting the pace for the pitchers, and Ruth enjoying a great season, the Yankees won 107 games and Joe McCarthy was in a World Series against his

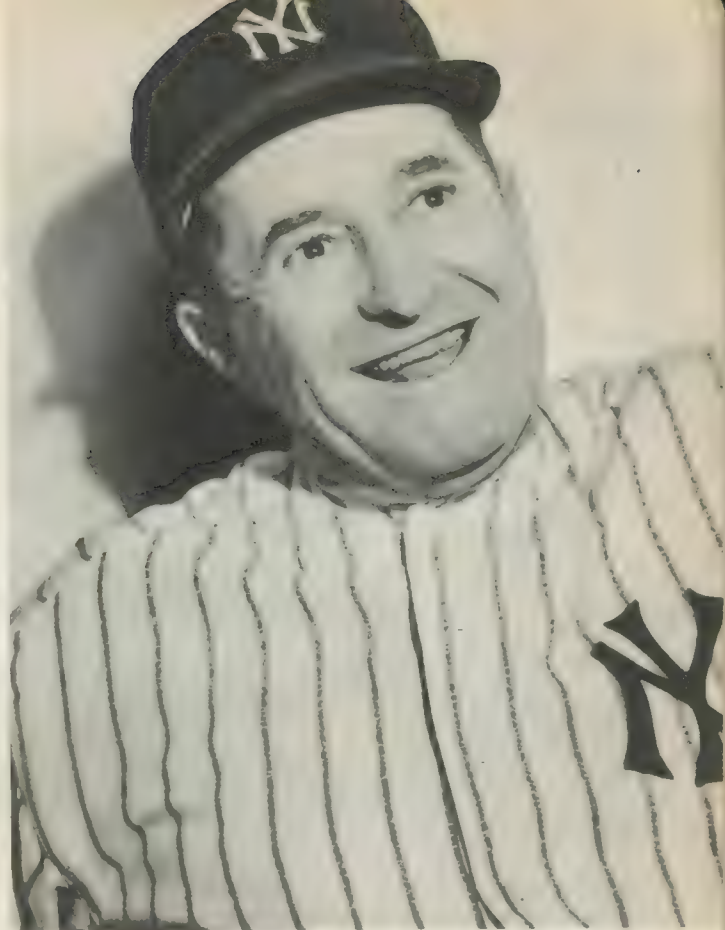


*Farm system, inaugurated in 1932 by George Weiss (right) shown here with Barrow), has fed many great players to Stadium.*

old Chicago Cubs. And they ran their string of World Series triumphs to twelve in a row in one of their greatest October exhibitions. Gehrig hit .529 and three home runs. Ruth and Lazzeri each hit two for the circuit and one of Ruth's followed his majestic "call" when, in reply to the jockeying Cubs, Babe pointed to the spot where he would send Charlie Root's next pitch.

Those were magnificent Yankees but they were not to be back in a World Series again until 1936. For three straight years they finished second. Meanwhile a Yankee farm system, inaugurated in 1932 by George M. Weiss, now general manager, began to pay dividends. Farm products were necessary to retain for the Yankees their old supremacy. Babe Ruth had left them to try his hand in the National League in 1935. Other famous Yankees had concluded their careers.

This time the rebuilding was made easier by the fast-growing farm system. Players developed by the Yankees, or acquired because the Yankees had farm players to put into deals, strengthened the club to such an extent it won seven out of eight American League pennants starting with 1936. Only one of those League champions failed to top the National League rival in the World Series—the Cardinals of '42 upsetting them. The Yankees won four straight world championships from 1936 through 1939, losing

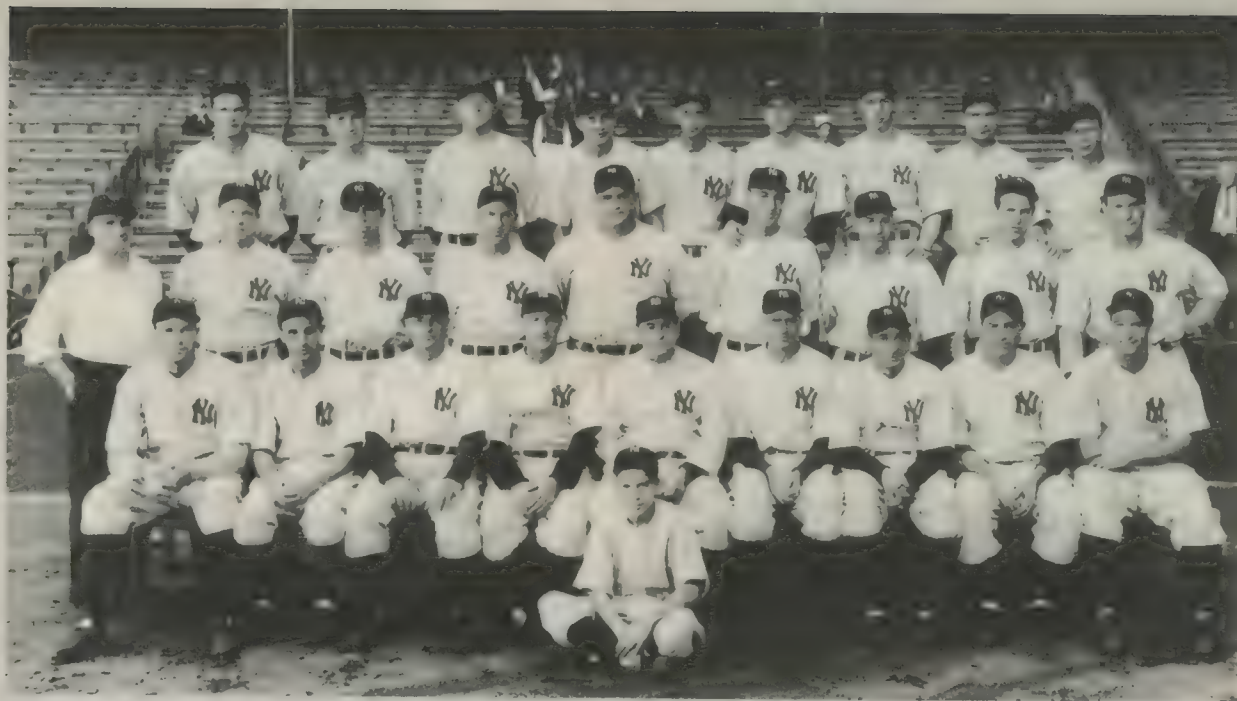


*Something for Joe McCarthy to smile about—4 World Champions in a row, 1936, '37, '38, '39.*

*Joe McCarthy's First World Champions—1932*



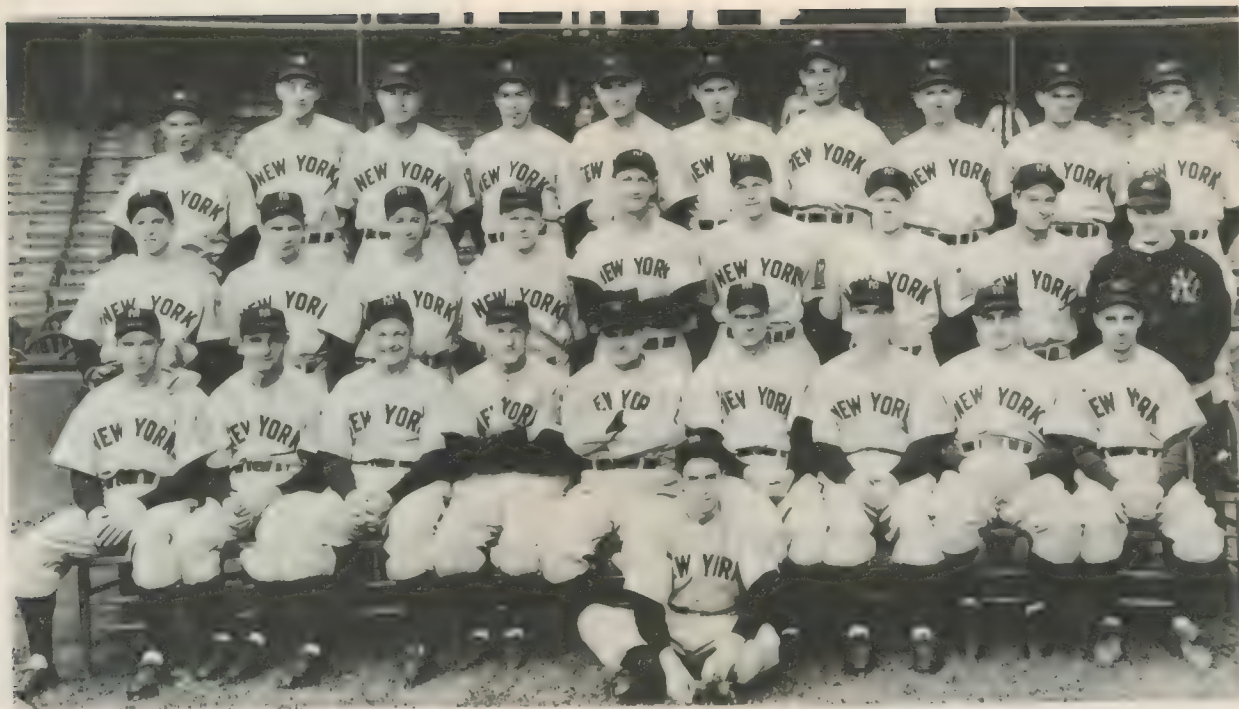




*Starting a great run of championships in 1936.*



*Beat Giants in City Series of 1937.*



*Tamed the Chicago Cubs in 1938.*



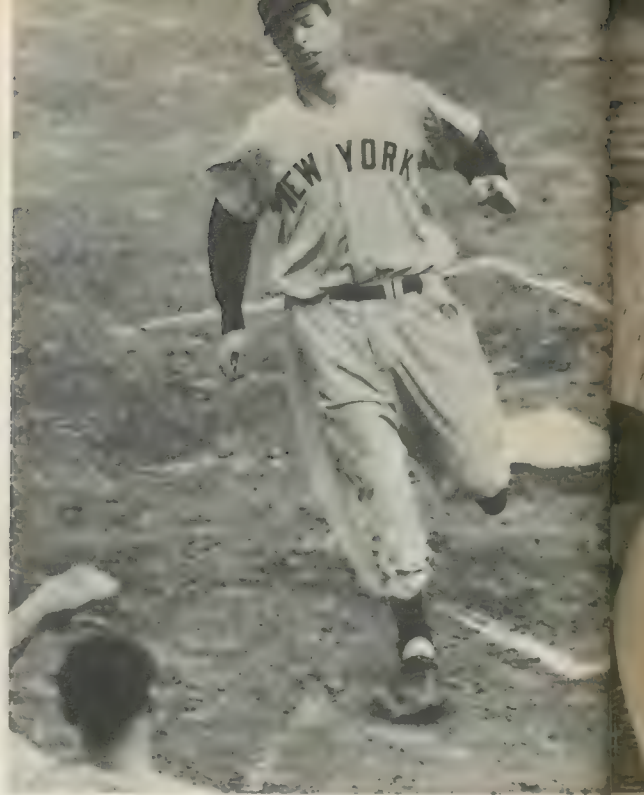
*Rolled over the Reds in 1939.*



only three games in the four series. They beat the Giants in six games in '36 and in five games a year later. Then they took the Cubs and Reds in four-game sweeps. It was the greatest winning splurge by a single club in the history of baseball.

A driving force in these victories was Joe DiMaggio, who followed two other San Francisco Italian players—Tony Lazzeri and Frank Crosetti—to the Yankees. New stars such as Charlie Keller, Joe Gordon, Tommy Henrich, Spud Chandler, Johnny Murphy, George Selkirk, Bill Dickey, Red Rolfe, to name but a few, wore the Yankee uniform with pride. In the annual All-Star Games as well as the World Series the Yankees set a pace the National League found difficulty in following.

Off the field the season of 1939 was saddened by the death of Colonel Ruppert and the knowledge that Lou



*In 1941 Joe DiMaggio hit safely in 56 consecutive games and was named the league's Most Valuable Player.*

*Topped the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1941.*







*Winning Battery in '43 World Series. Dickey's homer beats Cards for Chandler's second triumph of series. Chandler is named A.L.'s Most Valuable Player.*

Gehrig had contracted a disease which was to bring about his death in the very prime of his life. Gehrig benched himself May 2 at Detroit, ending a string of 2,130 consecutive games which had begun on June 1, 1925.

After finishing third in 1940 the Yankees picked up their winning habits again in 1941. That was the year Joe DiMaggio hit safely in fifty-six consecutive games. He practically lifted the Yankees on his shoulders and carried them into the World Series. So appreciative of his efforts were his teammates they staged a little surprise party for him in Washington and presented to him a gift inscribed by every member of the club. Ball players are not usually that demonstrative and Joe was speechless at the ceremony into which he had been lured by his roomie, Lefty Gomez.

After beating the Dodgers in the 1941 World Series and splitting October triumphs with the Cardinals in '42 and '43, the Yankees were absent from the World Series scene until 1947. Meanwhile, in 1945, the Ruppert heirs had sold the club to a syndicate composed of Dan Topping, Del Webb and Larry MacPhail with MacPhail installed as general manager. Joe McCarthy retired as manager in the second year of this regime and Bill Dickey, who replaced him, also resigned before the '46 season had been concluded. Then, under Bucky Harris, the Yankees won the world championship in 1947 and MacPhail resigned.

The year 1948 found the Yankees with Topping as president and Weiss as general manager. In the race right down to the wire the Yankees lost their cham-

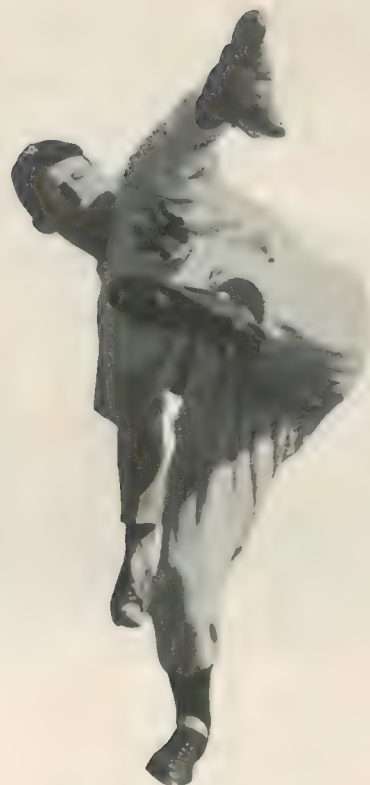
*Turned Tide on Redbirds in 1943.*





pionship in the last series of the year as the Cleveland Indians defeated the Boston Red Sox in a play-off game for the crown at the end of a hectic three-club race. During the '48 season the Yankees staged an Oldtimers Day at the Stadium to honor Babe Ruth and retire his famous No. 3 for all time. Not long thereafter the Bambino died and for two days and nights thousands of his admirers filed quietly past his bier in the Stadium lobby. He was buried from St. Patrick's Cathedral. He was the greatest Yankee of them all.

The 1949 conquests of the Yankees, under the inspired leadership of Casey Stengel, are too fresh in the memories of Yankee fans to be related here in detail. Suffice to say this "Fightingest Club in Baseball" wrote a colorful new chapter to the many bright pages contributed to baseball by the Bombers from the Bronx.



*Rookie of the Year—1947.  
Frank Shea won All-Star Game and  
took two decisions in World Series.*

*Took the Dodgers Once More—1947.*





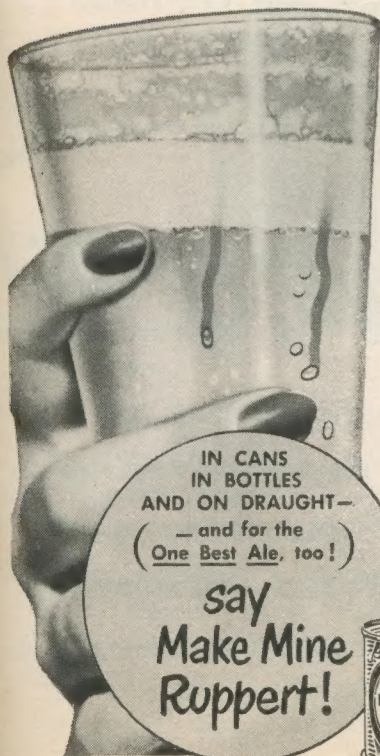
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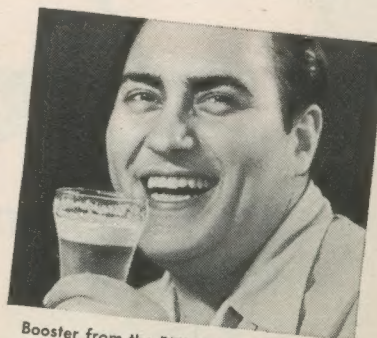


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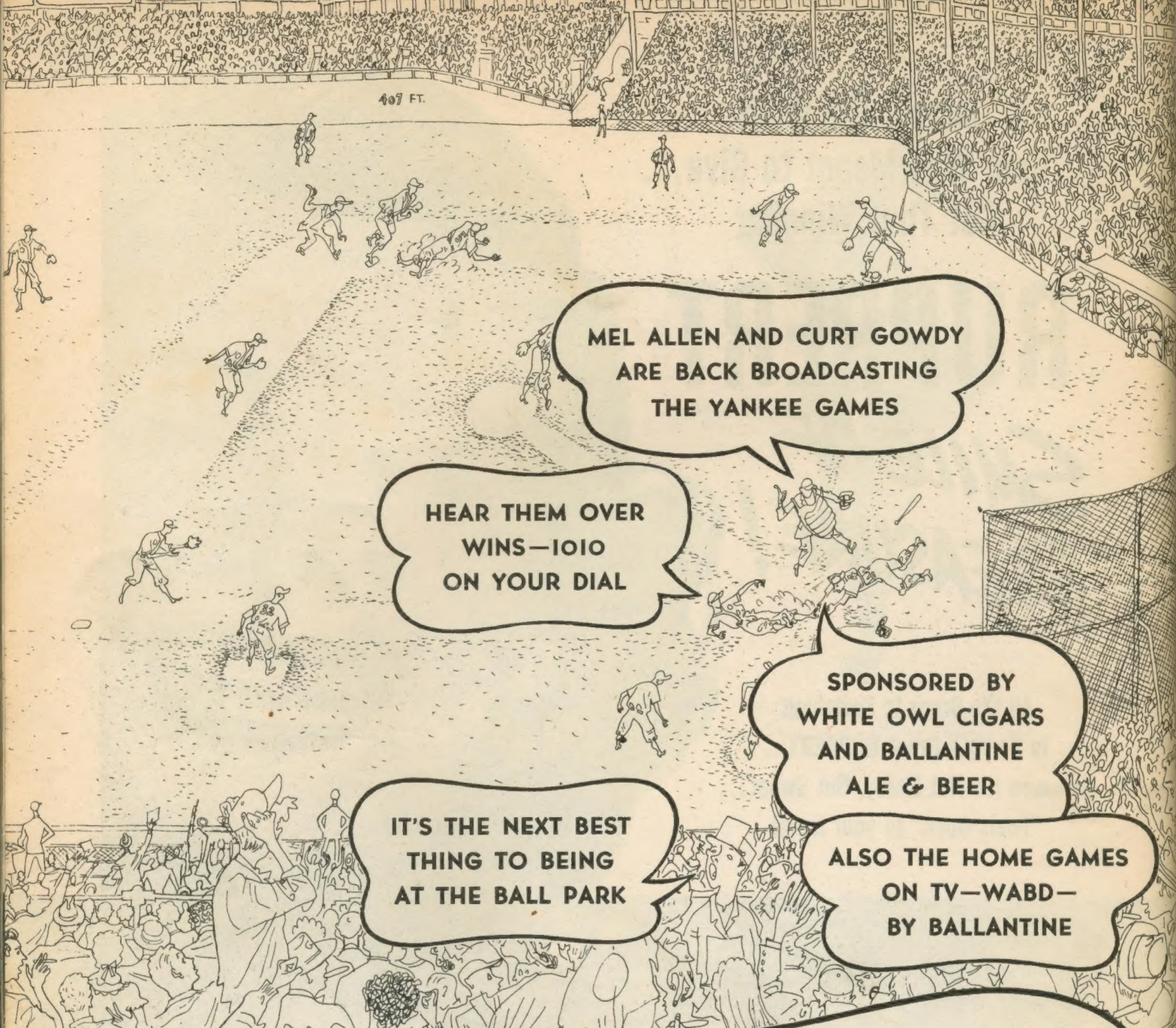


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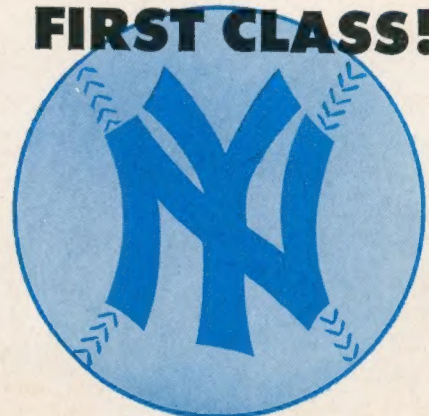


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